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MARRIAGE.

On Thursday, January 5th, at the Union Church, by the Rev. C. H. Hickling, ALEXANDER KEITH TAYLOR, Sergeant of the Hongkong Police, second son of James Taylor, East Thunderson, Aberdeenshire, Scotland, to AGNES MARY, eldest daughter of Andrew WATSON, farmer, Little Elrick, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 7TH, 1911.

From the end of 1910 the Government of Hongkong ceased to be responsible for the British Postal Agencies in the Treaty ports of China, these offices having been taken over by the Imperial Government. We have not heard that the Imperial Post Office has taken any steps to reduce the loss from the working of these Agencies, which has in the past few years been borne by the Treasury of Hongkong, but we note in one of the leading commercial organs that some pressure is being brought to bear upon the Government to make a concession which can only add to the loss. The demand is for a British postal agency to be established at Peking. Among the reasons offered in support of the demand are the following: In the first place the French, Germans, Japanese and Russians have Post Offices in the Chinese Capital, and Great Britain has not. The German Post office sends letters from Peking to Germany at the home (inland German rate), about equivalent to one penny, while letters for Great Britain or the Colonies have to be

taken either to the Chinese Post Office or to the foreign agencies and have to pay the 2½d. rate. But the want of a post office is comparatively "only a minor grievance." The time taken for a letter to get from London to Peking is 13 days, but for some extraordinary reason the mail bags for Peking are dropped at Tientsin—to the British Post Office there and two or three days elapse before they are delivered in the capital. That seems inexcusable, and had the attention of the Postmaster-General in Hongkong been drawn to this delay while the Tientsin Agency was under his control, he would surely have taken the necessary steps to obviate a delay for which there can be no justification whatever. It does not seem to have been an isolated circumstance, but a general practice, for a correspondent writes: "For instance, the express train from Europe reaches here at 2.30 p.m. on Sundays, but we don't get our letters until Wednesday, whereas the Berlin letters are delivered on Sunday afternoon." This is the most serious part of the grievance, and ought to be at once rectified, but as to the other complaint, while we can quite appreciate the argument that British residents ought to receive postal facilities, equal to those enjoyed by other nationalities it can hardly be said, we think, that British business interests are "especially hard hit" by the fact that its cost 2½d to send a letter to England from Peking, while a letter can be sent through the German Post Office to any part of Germany for the equivalent of a penny for the British mail from Peking cannot be a large one, and probably contains few business packets. However, it now rests with the Imperial Government to make any changes they may wish in the postal arrangements for Peking, and since a Foreign Office bag is regularly taken from the Legation to the British Post Office at Tientsin, the Postmaster-General might very well consider a suggestion that the general post from Peking could be managed by the Legation guard, which a correspondent says would be "only too glad to detail a non-commissioned officer to manage a sub-post office at a small remuneration." Occasion has been taken, we note, to draw attention also to "the exasperating via Siberia question." All the other Post Offices in Peking, it is pointed out, send letters via Siberia, unless they are specially marked via Suez. The reverse is the British practice everywhere in China, including Hongkong, as well as at Home, and the reason is that the British Government is tied to a contract for conveying mails by "the antiquated Suez route"; and, moreover, the Siberian route is the most expensive for mail carriage. That, in fact, accounts for the loss incurred in recent years in maintaining the British Postal Agencies at the Treaty ports. The Imperial Treasury is better able to bear that loss than the Treasury of Hongkong, and should be impressed by the representations from the northern ports at least regarding the absurdity of sending mail not marked "via Siberia" by the Suez route, taking about six weeks to or from Peking, whereas by the railway route across Siberia a letter would reach its destination in thirteen days. The only defence of this arrangement is, as we have said, the greater cost of sending via Siberia, but now that the Imperial Government have taken over the Postal Agencies, it can surely be expected that this stupid rule will be waived, in the northern ports at least.

The Elks of Manila have this week opened their new lodge.

The Hongkong Volunteers have decided to hold their annual ball at an early date not yet fixed.

At the Magistracy yesterday six chair coolies were each fined \$4 for creating an obstruction at the Hongkong Hotel.

We are desired to state that the invitations issued for Musical Practices at Government House on Fridays in December are intended to apply to Fridays in January as well.

Two Chinese were at the Magistracy yesterday sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours in the stocks for stealing clothing and jewellery from a house at Aberdeen.

A Chinese rent collector, arrested on a charge of embezzling the sum of \$10,000 between the 1st December and 4th January, was brought before Mr. E. B. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday and remanded.

A contribution of \$5,000, U. S. currency, a donation from the American Red Cross Society, was last Saturday handed over to the American Consulate-General of Shanghai by Mr. S. K. Suzuki, Manager of the Yokohama Specie Bank and Treasurer of the Famine Relief Fund. The money was forwarded by Mr. Knox, the American Secretary of State, to the American Minister of Peking and remitted by telegraph to Shanghai. When converted into local currency it amounted to Teels 8,256.

As this issue was going to press the Fire Brigades were summoned to an outbreak of fire at No. 6, Des Voeux Road. At 4.00 a.m. the fire was practically extinguished. The occupants were able to escape.

A large posse of police turned out in multi on Thursday for the marriage of Police Sergeant Taylor to Miss Agnes Mary Watt, of Little Elrick, Aberdeenshire, which event was solemnized at the Union Church. Sergeant James John Watt gave the bride away; and Miss B. Robertson, daughter of Inspector Robertson, and Miss Amy Watt, sister of Detective-Sergeant Watt, were the bridesmaids, while Mr. E. C. Watt, brother of the bride, was best man. By special permission of the Captain Superintendent, No. 3 Police Station was used for a dance and supper in the evening when about sixty guests were present. Mr. R. McEwen piped the bride and groom into supper, the usual toasts were proposed and honoured, and dancing continued until the wee sma' hours.

FAREWELL PRESENTATION TO LADY MAY.

In view of Lady May's long residence in the Colony, and of the personal interest which she has always taken in all that relates to its welfare, it is proposed to present to her, prior to her departure on the 21st inst., some suitable token of the respect and esteem in which she is held by the whole community. The necessary consent of the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been obtained, and a committee of ladies has been formed.

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THE FORTHCOMING VISIT OF THE GERMAN CROWN PRINCE.

Mr. C. E. Pavis, as Hon. Secretary of the Committee appointed to consider the arrangements to be made for the reception of H. I. H. the Crown Prince of Germany, sends us the following as the correct list of members of the Committee:—

Sir Francis Pigott, Chairman; Mr. F. H. Armstrong, The Hon. Mr. P. J. Baddeley, Mr. G. Balloch, Mr. A. Pecker, The Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G.; Mr. W. Dickson, Mr. G. Engel, Mr. G. Friesland, Mr. R. Fuhrmann, Mr. Fung Wa Chuen, Mr. C. G. Gok, Mr. T. F. Hough, The Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G.; Mr. R. Kell, The Hon. Mr. H. Keswick, Mr. W. Logan, Mr. S. A. Levy, Mr. R. Lennemann, Mr. F. Lieb, Mr. Lea Chu Pak, Sir H. N. Mody, Mr. G. H. Medhurst, The Hon. Mr. E. Osborne, Mr. E. Ormiston, The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.; Mr. H. W. Robertson, Mr. N. J. Stubb, The Hon. Mr. M. Stewart, Mr. H. Stiles, Capt. B. R. H. Taylor, Dr. E. A. Vorotzsch, The Hon. Mr. Wei Yuk, C.M.G.; C. E. H. Davis, Hon. Secretary.

PROPOSED STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO THE EAST.

Mr. C. C. Walton, of Grand Mere, Quebec, is asking the Dominion Government to subsidise a proposed steamship service between Eastern ports in Canada and Hongkong, via the Suez Canal. Mr. Walton requires a gradually decreasing subsidy for as long as 30 years; in view of which we are not surprised to find the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, which is always ready to support reasonable proposals of this kind, expressing the opinion "that it is scarcely probable the Government will favour his suit."

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE SIBERIAN MAIL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Friday noon.
DEAR SIR,—Can you not impress on the Post Office the importance to the business community of the Colony of regularity in the delivery of the Siberian mail when the shipping facilities at Shanghai admit of it?

We have been accustomed, in English mail week, to expect a Siberian mail by the P. and O. steamer coming down from Shanghai. As that steamer invariably comes in early on Friday, the community gets an opportunity of returning replies to their home letters by the Siberian mail regularly dispatched from here on Saturday.

This morning the *Devon* arrived without a Siberian mail, which appears to have been dispatched from Shanghai on board the *Monteagle*, which I gather left the northern port in advance of the *Devon*, but according to the latest shipping information in your paper is not expected to arrive here until 6 p.m. to-day!

If the Shanghai Post Office is not familiar with the steaming qualities of the respective ships surely they might take the trouble to inquire at the shipping offices of the port as to the probable time of arrival of each ship when there is a choice of vessels.

I would make a present of this suggestion to the Shanghai Post Office, and if they would only act on it, I can safely say, on behalf of the whole community of Hongkong, that we would be extremely grateful. At present we are

DISAPPOINTED.

[Another communication of similar purport has reached us, and we commend the matter to the attention of the postal authorities. We may, however, mention that although the *Monteagle* was announced as being due at 6 p.m. yesterday, she arrived in the harbour about two o'clock and the mail was delivered between four and five o'clock yesterday afternoon.—Ed.]

TELEGRAMS.

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RESIGNATION OF TANG SHAO YI ACCEPTED.

A SHUFFLING OF PORTFOLIOS.

PEKING, January 6th.

An Imperial Edict has been issued intimating that the Throne accepts the resignation of Tang Shao Yi, owing to continued ill health.

Sheng Kung Pao has been promoted to Acting President of the Yuchuanpu (Board of Communications). Lord Li Ching Fong (who has just completed his term as Minister to Great Britain) is appointed Acting Senior Vice-President, replacing Shen Yun Pei, who has been transferred to the Board of Appointments. Wu Yu Sheng, formerly an Acting Grand Councillor, succeeds Sheng Kung Pao as Vice-President of the Yuchuanpu.

[REUTERS SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

PILLAGING BY BEDOUINS.

LONDON, January 6th.

The Bedouins have pillaged the bazaar at Basra.

ANOTHER TURKISH LOAN.

LONDON, January 6th.

The Turkish Government is negotiating with Paris financiers for a fresh loan of two and a half millions.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, January 6th.

The death is announced of the Emir of Bokhara.

SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAY BONDS.

LONDON, January 6th.

The South Manchurian Railway Loan is closed. It is over-subscribed.

MADAME CALVE'S CONCERT.

An event in the musical life of Hongkong has come to an end by the second and final appearance of Madame Calvé, and the impression created by the Diva is not likely to be soon forgotten. Her last night here was not as numerous as on Wednesday, but they were just as enthusiastic. The charm of her sweet voice held the audience in a spell until it was realised she had left the stage, and then a unanimous outburst of applause, sincere as it was prolonged, was followed by the inevitable encore. The physical pleasure, and the psychological effect of such a voice can scarcely be put into words. It thrills, and charms, and delights, and uplifts. It etherealises for the moment, but its effect is more lasting. To hear her is one of the rare experiences of life, and those who have not done so ought to be conscious of regret. Her first appearance last night was in the "Jewel Song" from Faust, and the exquisite rendering produced a demand for an encore, which, to the delight of all, was granted. The extraordinary compass of her voice was heard in the "Aria" from Alcibiades, another recall being responded to. M. Pintel was greatly appreciated in his several performances, the favourite being the dainty Gavotte by Gluck-Brahms. Signor Gaspari surprised and delighted everybody with the beautiful quality of his fine tenor voice, and he also had to respond to several recalls. The feature of the evening was the scenes from "Cavalleria Rusticana," presented by Madame Calvé and Signor Gaspari. Dramatic interpretation added to the effect of the powerful singing, and the curtain dropped amid a remarkable expression of popular appreciation and enthusiasm.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 6th at 11.05 a.m.—The barometer has fallen very rapidly in N.E. Japan, and risen quickly over W. Japan.

The pressure, which deepened considerably during its passage across the Sea of Japan, lies now off Southern Hokkaido.

The anti-cyclonic area lying to the North of the Yangtze valley, and pressure has increased moderately on the China coast.

Very strong monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

(N.E. and E. winds, strong; fair, cloudy.)

Hongkong & Neighbourhood.

Formosa Channel.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Liancocks.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan.

A MEGAPHONE INCIDENT.

At the Magistracy yesterday Mr. J. W. How, engineer, appeared before Mr. J. B. Wood to answer a summons at the instance of Choy Wu Shi charging him with using abusive and threatening language and also with inciting his dogs to chase her goats. Mr. Roger Harris appeared in support of the summons, and Mr. A. H. G. Jackson represented the defendant.

Mr. Harris stated that Choy Wu Shi was the owner of a large estate at Castle Peak and on frequent occasions people landed there and shot over the land. On Saturday, December 17th, defendant landed from a motor boat and went on complainant's ground. There might have been others with him, but he was the only one seen on complainant's land. Complainant's attention was called to his presence by the fact that his dog chased half a dozen of her goats, and they had evidence that he set his dog to chase the goats. She sent down her Indian watchman to remonstrate with him, and to tell him to shoot somewhere else. Defendant told him to tell Mr. Choy to come down, but the latter did not come down, and the incident ended there. Next day, late in the evening, defendant with two or three other people landed from a motor boat, but before he came ashore he shouted through a megaphone very abusive words addressed to Mr. Choy. Then he landed, and complainant would state that she saw him urge his dog to chase the goats. She shouted to a man to stop them, but he did not succeed, and they ran off. Three of the goats were recovered, but two were still missing. His client wrote to Mr. Kew asking him to apologise and to give an undertaking that it should not occur again, but no answer was obtained and proceedings were taken.

Choy Wu Shi said that on Sunday, 18th December, after five o'clock, on her way from the vegetable garden she heard a motor boat coming into the bay, and shortly afterwards she heard someone use abusive language through a megaphone. She met a man who told her somebody was addressing abusive language to her husband, and afterwards she saw some people land from the boat. Defendant was among the number. The party came up to complainant's boundary and frightened her goats. Defendant urged his dog to chase the goats. The goats fled to the village, and she shouted to a man to stop the goats for her. Three of the goats were recovered, but two were still missing.

Cross-examined—She did not know defendant before, and he was very far away when she saw him through the glasses. She saw him through the glasses pointing his dog to the goats. He was carrying a gun. There were other people some distance off. The defendant's name was given to her by Mr. Otto Kong Sing.

Were you frightened the defendant would do you any injury?—He told my Indian watchman he would kill his employer. I don't know which employer he meant.

Do you mean to tell us you took in all this detail—gun, moustache, coat but not trousers—through a telescope?—Yes.

You don't produce the telescope?—No, one man can't carry it.

It was fairly dark?—When he was about to go on his boat it was dark.

Was it dark at six o'clock?—I had no mind to prosecute him then and did not look at the time.

What induced you to change your mind?—I saw Mr. Otto Kong Sing, who said he knew Mr. Kew.

You are not married to Mr. Choy Yu?

His Worship—That does not matter here. By the Court—Did you speak to defendant that day?—No.

Mr. Harold Seth, called by complainant, said he was with defendant on the occasion in question.

Did anybody on board shout through a megaphone?—They possibly did.

Did the defendant shout through a megaphone?—I can't remember.

What were the things shouted through the megaphone? Pleasant addresses to the fishes in the bay?—Fishes in the bay don't talk. I shouted myself. I called for a sump.

Was that the only kind of shouting?—I can't remember.

Did you hear any words addressed to Mr. Choy?—No.

Did you hear his name used?—I can't remember.

Was it possible that words would be used on board that you did not hear?—Yes, if I was not paying attention to them.

Was there any quarrel between your party and the Choy family?—So far as I know there has always been a quarrel.

What was the quarrel?—On Saturday the watchman ordered us off the ground.

What was the trouble on Sunday?—There was no trouble at all.

Everything passed off quietly?—Yes.

When your party landed did your dogs chase the goats?—No.

Did you see any goats chased?—I never saw any goats.

Cross-examined—The party landed at the bay on Sunday at his wish. He was a friend of both parties. He would not be surprised to find the dogs chasing the goats. Had defendant urged his dogs to chase the goats he would have heard something.

Choy Yee spoke to hearing abusive language addressed to him through a megaphone from the motor boat, but he took no notice of it and went inside the house.

Cross-examined—He looked through the telescope and saw the features of two men. Mr. Seth was on the dock. Witness did not see any goats being chased. He went inside the house because he did not like the look of the men.

An Indian watchman employed by complainant said he heard abusive language addressed to his master from the motor boat. He could not see the man.

A temple keeper spoke to hearing abusive language coming from the sea. He did not know who used it.

A storekeeper deposed to being called by the complainant to stop the goats, but they were too fast for him. He saw that there were dogs after them.

This closed the case for the complainant. Defendant went into the witness-box.

His Worship—Did you on the evening of the 19th December use any abusive language from your motor boat at Castle Peak Bay?—I did not.

Did you land on that evening with your dogs?—I did. The dogs are my brother's.

How many?—Four.

Did you incite them on to any goats?—I did not. I never saw any goats.

Did the dogs get out of hand?—No, they are well trained dogs.

Cross-examined by Mr. Harris: Did your dogs at any time on Saturday or Sunday chase any goats?—No.

Why did the watchman come down and order you away?—He told me to go away as it was his master's land.

There was no other reason why the watchman should tell you to go away?—No, except that I told Choy Yee, whom I met five minutes before, to carry his gun properly. He was carrying it in a very careless manner.

Is there a megaphone on your boat?—Yes. Was it used?—Yes.

By whom?—By myself.

What for?—To call a sump.

Was that the only time it was used?—Yes.

What motive do you think Mr. Choy has in making up this story?—I don't know.

All this story about the goats being chased is a fabrication?—It is purely a lie.

His Worship—The summons is dismissed. I think you acted rightly and properly.

ALLEGED CONSPIRACY TO MURDER.

FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS.

At the Magistracy yesterday afternoon before Mr. E. R. Hallifax the hearing of the charge of conspiracy to murder preferred against three Chinese, one of whom belongs to a well-known local family, was continued. The names of the defendants are Wong Tse Kin, Mak U Chiu and Chin Cham.

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. J. H. Gardiner appeared for the defendants.

Chief Chinese Detective An Hang deposed to first seeing certain letters, produced, on December 9th at the Central Police Station. With them he received certain information, in consequence of which he sent two Chinese constables to 42, China Road. Two days later the man who handed him the previous letters, Mak Yun, gave him certain other papers, which he handed to Mr. Hanson. On December 14th witness accompanied Mr. Hanson and three detectives to 32, Elgin Street. When witness entered he found a chop in the drawer of a table in the sitting-room on the second floor.

In cross-examination, witness said he did not find a larger chop bearing the same characters.

This closed the case for the prosecution.

Mr. Gardiner said he did not wish to call any evidence if his Worship was satisfied that there was a *prima facie* case made out.

His Worship adjourned the hearing until Monday afternoon, when he will make known his decision.

A fresh development occurred when two more Chinese—Chin Chiu and Chin Kai—were placed before his Worship on a charge of intimidating the principal witness in the previous case by paying him money to leave the Colony. The defendants were remanded for a week.

YACHTING.

B.H.Y.C.

The 5th Club Races will be sailed to-day.

THE HANDICAP CLASSES.

Starts at 2.30 p.m.

Course:—North Fairway Buoy (star.)

Kowloon Rock (star.) Channel Rock (star.)

The probable starters are as follows:—

Name	Owner	Marks to date
<i>Dione</i> , Sir Henry May	...	36
<i>Erie</i> , Commodore Eyles, R.N.	...	17
<i>Erie</i> , Mr. A. Denison	...	21
<i>Kathleen</i> , Officers R.E.	...	26
<i>Mira</i> , Messrs. Irving and Alabaster	...	5
<i>Colleen</i> , Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock	...	9
<i>Ayasha</i> , Capt. Loring	...	18
<i>Ada</i> , Col. Chapman	...	11
<i>Albion</i> , Mr. Cheesman	...	2

ONE DESIGN CLASS.

Starts at 2.40 p.m.

Course:—Channel Rocks (port) Cust Rocks

Buoy (port) Kowloon Rock (star.) Channel Rocks (star.)

The probable starters are:—

Name	Owner	Marks to date
<i>Kaleyon</i> , Mr. Rouse	...	23
<i>Conda</i> , Mr. H. W. Bird	...	11½
<i>Alannah</i> , Mr. Sutherland	...	10
<i>Aila</i> , Mr. Jameson	...	9½
<i>Daphne</i> , Officers R.E.	...	3

On Sunday, the 8th inst., the 3rd Cruiser Race will be sailed, starting at 10 a.m., over the following course:—

From pier on South side of Stonecutters Island, leaving Green Island on port hand

outwards, Lamma Island (star.). The following boats will probably compete:—

	Owner	Marks to date
<i>Dalveen</i> , Hon. Mr. H. Keswick	...	5
<i>Miranda</i> , Mr. Brutton	...	7
<i>Snipe</i> , Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock	...	7
<i>Taty</i> , Officers H.M.S. Tamar	...	7
<i>Dorothy</i> , Capt. Lyddow	...	7
<i>Elaine</i> , Eng. Commander Highton, R.N.	...	7
<i>La Cigale</i> , Mr. Bone	...	7
<i>Aileen</i> , Mr. Snowman	...	7
<i>Burnhills</i> , Mr. Van Audel	...	7

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, January 6th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. F. A. HAZELAND (ACTING JUSTICE CLERK).

A WEEK'S ADJOURNMENT.

H. Price & Co., Ltd., sued R. H. Whitaker claiming \$445.15.

Mr. F. C. Barlow, for the defendant, asked his Lordship to allow the case to stand over for a week.

Mr. A. Jackson, for the plaintiff, objected to the adjournment as there was no defence. Defendant had agreed to pay \$150, and asked for time to pay the balance.

Mr. Barlow—I want the usual week. This is the first hearing.

His Lordship—The practice is to give a week.

Mr. Jackson—Your Lordship will take the case next Friday?

His Lordship—Yes.

BOOKS PRODUCED.

The action brought by Cheung Fung against Lam Kan and others to recover \$20 was again mentioned.

Mr. Jackson, for the defendant, said he previously got an order for inspection, but the book produced by the plaintiff was not the one he wanted. He asked plaintiff to produce the proper book, but he had not been near him since.

Plaintiff was called, and his Lordship asked him why he did not produce the proper book.

Plaintiff—It is the right book.

His Lordship—No, it was the wrong book. (To Mr. Jackson)—Have you told him the books you wanted?

Mr. Jackson—Yes, he knows the books I want.

His Lordship (to plaintiff)—Where is the other book?

Plaintiff produced the book, it was handed over to the solicitor, and the case was adjourned.

DEFENCE NOT PREPARED.

Action was brought by the Tsui Yin Len against Cheung Sui Ha to recover \$422.20.

Mr. Davidson (for plaintiff)—I don't know whether my friend proposes to defend this case or not.

Mr. Crowther Smith—Yes, I do, my Lord.

His Lordship—What is your defence?

Mr. Smith—I am not in a position to tell your Lordship that.

His Lordship—I must ask you to, or take the case at once.

Mr. Smith—I am not in a position yet.

His Lordship—Why? The case has been adjourned for a week.

Mr. Smith—My instructions are there is a defence.

His Lordship—What is it?

Mr. Smith—I don't know exactly what it is.

His Lordship—I think it had better be adjourned for a week.

Mr. Davidson—It was adjourned for a week last Friday. My friend is playing fast and loose with the Court.

Mr. Smith—Nothing of the kind.

His Lordship—I think I will take the case this morning.

Mr. Smith—It is impossible for me to proceed.

His Lordship—The case is adjourned for a week.

A GOOD DEFENCE.

Miss Clara Blanche was sued by J. C. Moosa for the recovery of \$50.30.

Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon, for the defendant, asked for a week's adjournment.

His Lordship—Is there any defence?

Mr. Dixon—Yes, a very good defence. Meantime I want my friend to file particulars with dates of his claim.

Mr. Gardiner, for the plaintiff, said he had furnished his friend with particulars.

Mr. Dixon—I have had particulars, but they were incorrect. I want my friend to file in Court particulars with dates, otherwise I must ask for pleadings.

Mr. Gardiner—I will give my friend particulars of the amount.

Mr. Dixon—With dates?

Mr. Gardiner—Yes.

Mr. Dixon—You had better file them in Court.

Mr. Gardiner—It is not usual.

Mr. Dixon—I think it better in this case.

His Lordship—Why?

Mr. Dixon—I have already had two lists of particulars which contradict each other, so I want to pin my friend down.

His Lordship—He wants to pin you down, Mr. Gardiner.

Mr. Gardiner—Very well, my Lord.

THE LAW'S DELAY.

Mr. Hinds mentioned an action in which both the plaintiff and defendant were on the steamer *Eastern*, which would arrive in Hongkong on February 17th, and if the action could be tried on that date it would suit all parties.

His Lordship—The 17th is—

Mr. Hinds—The 17th, I think.

Mr. Hinds—Friday afternoon.

Mr. Hinds—It is the 17th.

His Lordship—I will take it on Friday at 11, and we can go on on Saturday morning at 10.30.

Mr. Shenton—May I ask your Lordship for some direction about the general list of cases. Some of them have been standing over for four months.

His Lordship—I cannot help it.

Mr. Shenton—But your Lordship is fixing dates for other cases.

His Lordship—This is a steamer case.

Mr. Shenton—Perhaps your Lordship will let us know. It is rather difficult for my clients.

His Lordship—Yes, I know, and we are near the Chinese New Year.

Mr. Shenton—Do I understand your Lordship will not fix the cases on the general list?

His Lordship—Not yet. You can apply next week.

DEPUTY OFFICIAL RECEIVER APPEARS.

The case was mentioned in which Bagwan Singh sued Lai Yeung and Ki Yeung to recover \$149.60 due on promissory notes.

Mr. Gardiner said the case was adjourned last Friday for the purpose of serving the second defendant. So far he had not been served, and the case against him was adjourned sine die.

His Lordship—What are you going to do in this?

Mr. Gardiner—I cannot do anything.

Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher (Deputy Official Receiver)—I have to ask leave to appear for the first defendant, and I would ask your Lordship for a stay of execution in action 1716.

Mr. Gardiner—Judgment has been obtained, and my friend will have to state good grounds why execution should be stayed.

Mr. Fletcher—I think, my Lord, execution was obtained more or less by misrepresentation in a former action.

His Lordship—You want a stay of execution so that he should come here as a witness?

Mr. Fletcher—Yes.

His Lordship—He is absolutely protected, coming, going and remaining here. If he was arrested I would discharge him immediately.

Mr. Fletcher—I require him both as a witness for myself and to defend himself. The matter is rather complicated. Four actions have been instituted for this money lent, and plaintiff purposes to institute probably three more. I think I can show good cause why all those four actions should be combined in one.

Mr. Gardiner—Judgments have been obtained, and my friend will have to apply to set those judgments aside.

Mr. Fletcher—That is what I intend to do.

Mr. Gardiner—He is out of time to do that. The judgments were obtained four months ago. The hearing was adjourned.

LOCAL SPORT.

FIXTURES AT A GLANCE.

League Cricket.

R.E. v. Kowloon, Military Ground.

Police v. Civil Service, Police Ground, 2 p.m.

H.K.C.C. v. K.O.V.L.I., Club Ground, 1.45 p.m.

Craigengower v. Remnants, C.C.C. Ground, 2 p.m.

TRANS.

R.F. and Department:—Colonel Staepole, Lt. Col. Sir J. Fyler, Major Taylor, Capt. Addison, Capt. Bell, Lieut. Williams, Rev. Foster Pegg, Corps. Taverner, McGregor, Campion and Osman.

Kowloon:—J. P. Robinson, A. R. F. Mead, Lt. E. H. J. Houghton, F. Sutton, J. H. Raven, W. L. Wessner, F. J. de Roma, A. O. Brown, L. E. Brett, Lt. G. G. Richardson, W. Curwen, Reserve—W. T. Elton.

Civil Service:—H. T. Jackson (Captain), R. E. O. Bird, H. R. Phillips, W. E. Dixon, G. Bullock, J. McEwen, F. J. Liv, A. G. Pile, F. Dalin, H. Ellis and F. Bacon. Reserves—A. H. Cox, E. W. Dawson and A. M. Thornhill.

H.K.C.C. "A":—Hon. Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Dr. G. E. Aubrey, A. A. Claxton, H. Hancock, R. Hancock, G. A. Hastings, P. Jacobs, H. E. Makin, Rev. S. W. Payne, T. E. Pearce and R. P. Thurefield.

Craigengower:—L. E. Lamont, H. H. Taylor, J. D. Norris, L. A. Rose, R. A. Carvalho, J. V. Braga, E. L. Braga, P. Currie, C. J. Higginbotham, W. H. Vivesah and R. Bosa.

H.K. CRICKET LEAGUE.

The following is the table up to date:—

Club	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points
Yorks...	7	4	1	2	100.00
R.E. v. Kowloon	4	2	2	0	55.55
Civil Service	4	2	2	0	50.00
The Remnants	6	3	2	1	50.00
R.G.A.	5	2	3	0	33.33
Kowloon	7	2	1	4	28.55
Hongkong	7	2	2	3	28.55
Craigengower	5	1	1	3	20.00
H.K. Police	7	7	0	0	20.00

Other Cricket.

Naval Yard v. Civil Service "A."

League Football.

Naval Yard v. H.K.F.C.

THE BLAGOVESTCHENK INCIDENT.

The *Peking Daily News* gives the following (Chinese) version of the incident at Blagovestchensk recently reported by our Peking correspondent:—

It appears that on the 14th of December a Russian officer with several soldiers crossed over from Blagovestchensk into a Chinese town called Hui-Ho across the river. They seemed to be in a state of drunkenness. They entered a Chinese medicine shop, Chi Jen Tang, with drawn swords and damaged some of the property of the shop. When they were being reconducted by the shopkeepers they fired their revolvers. When the police appeared to prevent them from their nefarious acts they paid no heed to their remonstrances, but on the contrary they wounded the police officers with swords. They were finally escorted to the Russian authorities when the Russian officer who fired the revolver escaped and came back with two hundred mounted troops, who struck any person they encountered with their swords and carbines, causing serious damage to several shops on the street, including the Chamber of Commerce, and the Police Office. They then surrounded the Prefect's Yamen, and injured the mounted police, interpreters, and so on. The Prefect tried to reason with them, but without avail. They finally rushed into the Yamen, even as far as the Prefect's bed chamber, damaging windows, and furniture and looting arms, money and valuables. The Prefect seeing the seriousness of the situation, went to the telegraph office and communicated to the Russian Commanding Officer what had happened. The Russian Chief of Police was sent over to disperse the mob, but some of the men remained on the ground in a drunken state without paying any attention to him. Another officer from the army was sent to appease them, but once more they refused to go away. When the Commanding Officer of the Russian army was once more appealed to, he sent another officer to take away the soldiers.

HONGKONG COLLAPSES.

THE STABILITY OF BUILDINGS IN THE COLONY.

[REPLY TO A RECENT SPECIAL ARTICLE.]

A careful perusal of the special article in the issue of the 22nd ultimo of the *Hongkong Daily Press* will doubtless have tended to leave those who are initiated in the art of the Design of Buildings, and the conditions prevalent in the carrying out of such designs with the kind of skilled labour available here, in a state of doubtfulness as to whether or not the mere fact of walking at all in some sections of the town is not fraught with a certain element of personal danger, where, in so many of the streets, the eye is confronted by elaborate arrangements of shoring and strutting, erected apparently in most cases with a view to the prevention of the buildings folding in across the street, which possibility seems to be suggested by their evidently unstable and disintegrated condition.

Now what are the manifest causes of this condition of affairs? Harking back to the enquiry which was instituted in the case of the Aberdeen Street collapse, there is only one manifest conclusion that can be arrived at, and that conclusion is, what is known as the "carcase" of the building was improperly constructed, and that other component portions of the building were, owing to this faulty construction, forced into important duty in the fabric, and that these members, from climatic and other local causes, became invalid.

The average native bricklayer or mason has only the most primitive if any idea at all of what is technically known as a "bond" in brick-work or masonry, a term which means the deposition of the bricks or stones in such a way that the loads to be sustained by them after the floors and other component portions of the building are completed will be distributed as equally as possible over the whole area, and not be concentrated on to points. In good educated construction this masonry or "carcase" of a building should stand intact, and, by means of a "bond," entirely independently of all the remainder of the fabric. This it almost invariably does, though all the perishable portions be removed as in the case of being gutted by fire. Such workmanship as this, however, is not to be had in the ordinary run of work in this part of the world, and the buildings which we see shored up from end to end are such as rely for their stability upon the combination and unity of strength of the woodwork and masonry. The one is not independent of the other as it should be, and as a convincing example of this truism, take the evidence of one of the expert officers of the Public Works Department in the case of Nos. 13 and 15, Aberdeen Street. What did the bulging of the party wall mean? It meant this combination of conditions: Faulty bond in the masonry, the failure from decay or other causes of the floor joists which had been thrown into active service at each floor level either as a lateral support or as a tie; and the inevitable complete failure of the structure. Where this kind of construction exists, it can be taken for granted such structures are dangerous and may at any moment fall without much warning.

Now as to the cost of building operations in Hongkong, take as a comparison the cost of such operations in London and for, say, a ten-mile radius. The cheapest building that will be passed by the local authorities is at the rate of sixpence per foot cube. That is for what is known as a "Jerry" building, the work which is usually done by that English pest known as the speculative builder. For moderately good building, ninepence per foot is reckoned. That is for cottage work or small residences. Under the jurisdiction of the County Council, one shilling per foot can be taken as about the minimum cost, and of course there is scarcely any limit to what could be expended in the main streets in the erection of first-class property.

Now in Hongkong it is possible to erect buildings of the sixpence per foot cube class for ten cents per foot cube, or even less, and so on in proportion, and these buildings appear to yield a return during their period of existence incomparably higher than similar property would at home.

The existence of such buildings in a Crown Colony is undeniably neither more nor less than a disgrace, and most assuredly must "each individual member of the community contribute his proportion towards paying" for the alteration of this state of affairs. Prices of the past must be entirely forgotten, and eliminated from the mind. The Colony has now entered upon an entirely new era; it is, of course, well, joined up with the West by railway, and let it not for a moment be thought that buildings of the future will still be the result of the labour of half-starved foreign creatures that must have been responsible, as workmen or craftsmen, and, figuratively speaking, for the sowing of the seeds whose harvest is now being reaped by another generation.

"No thought had they of ills to come," "No care beyond to-day," and small blame to them.

What curious teaching the drift of argument of your previous contributor would seem to pro- pound as to the position of the Building Authorities. Where indeed would be the limit of a community's privilege to build what they like or perform whatever idiosyncrasies they chose in matters of construction if there were no controlling Authority? The "junior" officers of the Public Works Department are usually carefully selected well-trained young men, and it is doubtful if the task they have to perform can be considered in any degree "a regular and pleasant occupation." It is equally difficult to discern wherein lay the pathos of the position of the "poor property owner," who

ends it "extremely vexatious and expensive" that he should be called upon to "demolish or repair effectually" property that is perhaps so unsafe that, after having passed the usual routine of investigation, and that a very careful one, is condemned as a "Dangerous Structure," and if suffered to remain would and must eventually cause loss of life, to say nothing of such places usually being disseminating grounds for the bacteria of plague and pestilence.

In sartorial parlance, it is the "stitch in time" that should be denied, for stitches in "shoddy" are said to be never a success, and are, as has been indeed proved, calculated to do more harm than good, and should be forbidden when proposed as remedial measures for buildings in a densely-populated district that are of the "shoddy" order.

The Public Health and Building Ordinance of 1903 is not in the least arbitrary to a mind that is not biased by ownership interest. The unjustly abused acting officers of the Public Works Department are men of great discretion, and if they can be said to err in its administration at all it is on the side of leniency. The time must come when the staff will have to be much augmented, for the present condition of affairs is only the beginning of things where these collapses are concerned. There are streets and streets of houses that should be condemned, and the Colony's law should be made to deal more stringently with defective structures. Building Ordinances are drawn up for public protection. As such they should be administered, and it is regrettable that there should be any doubt about the "policy of the Public Works Department to force the hand of property owners." In a Colony like Hongkong there should be no half measures possible when dealing with undesirable hovel property, whether yielding a profitable rental or not, or for that matter structures of any kind that are dangerous from either a hygienic or stability point of view. The reasons are manifest and need not be dwelt upon.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

The meeting last night was addressed by Rev. H. O. Spink on the subject of "Families, Educational Institutions and the Young." The chair was taken by Mr. E. T. Williams. To-day is the last day of the week and the subjects for prayer "Jews and Home Missions" the latter including the Student Christian Union, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A. and kindred institutions. Rev. C. H. Hickling will address the meeting.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth in their weekly share report dated 6th January state:—

The opening of the New Year has been marked by a somewhat more animated enquiry for local stocks, and rates in some instances have advanced; business however, continues much restricted, and there is little of importance to report upon. "Rubbers" have not been dealt in during the interval, and until the gradual "sagging away" of London values is arrested there can be but little hope of any revival in this section. The "Hard Para Rubber" last quoted at 52½ was now quoted at 52½ per lb., with first-class plantation sheets at 60½ per lb. The Bank of England rate of discount remains at 4½ per cent., but the open market rate is again easier at 3½ per cent. Bar Silver closes at 25½ d. per oz. steady, and Sterling T.T. on London at 110½. Shanghai T.T. is quoted at 74½, and the Bank's buying rate for 4 days' bills at 74½.

BAKES.—A small lot of Hongkong and Shanghai has been sold at \$995 and it is probable that further small parcels could be placed at the rate, but at \$900 there are sellers. London has advanced to £287. Nationals are enquired for at \$30.

MANILA.—The market for Manila has been quiet, and there is little of importance to report upon. The Bank of England rate of discount remains at 4½ per cent., but the open market rate is again easier at 3½ per cent. Bar Silver closes at 25½ d. per oz. steady, and Sterling T.T. on London at 110½. Shanghai T.T. is quoted at 74½, and the Bank's buying rate for 4 days' bills at 74½.

FREE INSURANCES.—Small lots of Hongkong and Shanghai are in request at \$362½. Chinese after sales at \$120 can be placed at \$121.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been booked at \$30 and more shares are wanted. Indo-China has sellers at \$56, but at \$54 there are buyers. China and Manila have sold at the reduced rate of \$72 and more shares are available. Douglases continue on offer at \$20. Small Transports are wanted locally at 78½, the London quotation been 79½ sellers.

REINSURANCES.—No business is reported in this section, and quotations are unchanged. China Sugars at \$124 and Luzons at \$22, both with sellers.

MINING.—Bauxite are wanted at \$3. Charbonnages and Chinese Engineerings are unchanged and without local business.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong & Whampoa Docks have been the medium of a small business at \$53 and more shares can be placed. Kowloon Wharves are in request at \$53, but no shares are apparently available at the rate. Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have improved in the North to Tls. 97½ with buyers. New Amoy Docks and Shanghai Docks are unchanged and without local business.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands have sold and can still be procured at \$39. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$33½ and West Point at the improved rate of \$40. Hongkong Hotels (old) have further improved and can now be placed at \$100. The new issue is still on offer at \$65. Humphrey's Estates are wanted at \$64 after small sales at \$63, at which there are sellers. Shanghai Lands are unchanged at Tls. 100.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong is quieter with probable sellers at \$4. In the North Ewes are quoted at Tls. 85. Internationals at Tls. 45. Lion King Mills at Tls. 48, and Soy Chees at Tls. 247½.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Boronics are wanted at \$9. China Providents at \$7. Cement at \$315, Ropes at \$164 to \$17, Union Water Boats at \$64, China Light and Powers at 95 cents, and Watson's at \$54. Langkats have improved in the North to Tls. 115 with buyers.

ROBBERS.—Chinese quotations received from London by wire to-day are as follows:—middle

Highlands and Lowlands	93/9
Ledburys	60/-
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London Ventures	5/3
United Serdange	110/6
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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM SOUTHERN PAPERS.]

CANADA AND THE CORONATION.

London, December 16th.

Reuter telegrams from Ottawa that the Government has accepted the invitation to the Coronation. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and some of the other Ministers are going, and also a contingent of seven hundred troops representing all arms.

CATASTROPHE TO A NAVAL TENDER.

London, December 16th.

At Harwich to-day the naval tender "Ellin," while conveying a hundred bluejackets, collided with a submarine. The "Ellin" sank in five minutes, five being drowned. The crew rescued a number of the bluejackets.

THE ENGLISH CLIMATE.

London, December 16th.

Three weeks' almost continuous rain has caused great floods in the Thames valley, West Sussex, and Somerset. The Parades and sea walls at most of the Channel resorts have been wrecked by the most furious gale known for years.

GERMAN ARTISTOPHAT CHARGED WITH CHEATING AT CARDS.

London, December 16th.

A great sensation has been caused in Berlin by the arrest, in Vienna, of Count Giesbert Metrich, nephew of the Ambassador in London, at the instance of Lieutenant Backhaus, who accuses him of card-sharping in London, in conspiracy with international swindlers.

THE NEW YORK RAILWAY EXPLOSION.

London, December 20th.

The explosion at New York yesterday was due to the compressed gas for the illumination of the cars, not dynamite. The injured number 200. The report caused by the explosion was terrible. The whole district was shaken by pan. The damage amounts to 500,000 dollars.

AN INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPHIC ASSOCIATION.

London, December 21st.

The Anglo-American Telegraph Company announce that they have entered into an agreement with the Western Union Telegraph Company whereby the American Company guarantees 53 per cent. on the \$7,000,000 capital of the Anglo-American Telegraph Company in perpetuity.

The agreement transfers to American hands the control of the sole remaining British Atlantic cables.

In view of the existing international agreement, the consent of Germany and France is required.

PARTY VIEWS ON THE ELECTION RESULT.

London, December 21st.

In a final review of the elections the Unionist papers maintain that the victory is too indecisive and the majority too heterogeneous to enable any extreme course or violent methods to be successfully pursued. They anticipate that the Government will be compelled to seek a compromise with the Opposition; and add that any genuine attempt at accommodation will be fairly met.

The Liberal journals insist that the constitution has been given such proof of a most certain and deliberate conviction that a mandate to carry the Yeto Bill is

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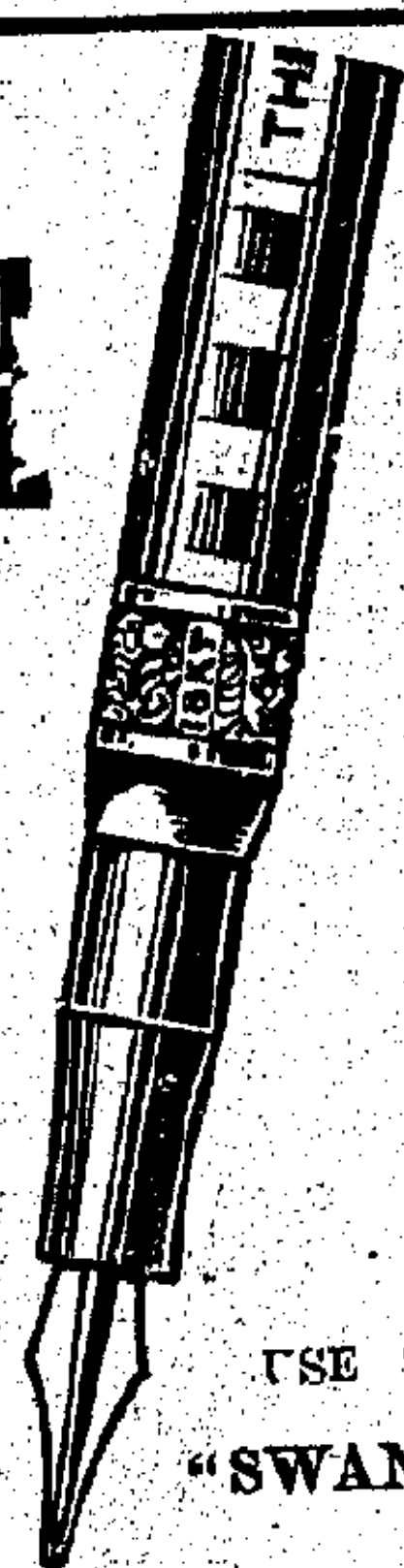
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REVIEWS.

The Religions and Philosophies of the East. By J. M. KENNEDY. London: T. Warner Laurie.

Here, in concise form, we have an epitomized history of the inception and growth of the great religious systems that have influenced the world, morally, socially and politically. It might have been better, perhaps, had Mr. Kennedy been content to depend upon mere statement, basing his statements, as apparently he has done, upon the result of his researches amongst the best material. He has not done this; and perhaps it was difficult to refrain from showing bias when he conscientiously believes that certain misconceptions of religion or certain misapplications of particular faiths tend to degeneracy of individuals and races and nations. It is quite obvious that he believes in aristocratic predominance. He does not hide his distrust of democracy and his dislike of modern socialism. He recognizes, as others have done, the disintegrating influence of Christianity upon social and political systems such as prevail in China, but we wish he could have taken a more detached and philosophical view, because then we believe he could have shown less immaturity and could have pressed his argument with closer cogency. There are at times a commonness of phrase not altogether in keeping with historical and philosophical analysis. Throughout the work he exhibits the influence of Eastern philosophy upon Schopenhauer and of Schopenhauer upon Nietzsche, of whom Mr. Kennedy is frankly a disciple. To indicate the trend of the author's attitude, we quote the following passage from his consideration of Brahmanism:

"This great literary development was only possible, of course, when the intellectual power of the community was concentrated in the Brahmins, and to some extent also the warriors. The first two castes, even though weighed down under the load of a nihilistic religion, were able to display their creative faculty in spite of their pessimism, while the lower castes had no right to an opinion on any subject at all. The Brahmins recognised clearly enough that, no matter how the lower classes of a society were 'educated,' in what would correspond to a modern board school, they were unable, on account of their low descent (like our own lower classes), to enter into the lofty spirit of the nobler castes. To a modern philosophical enquirer, unbiased by democratic heresies, this was a right and proper course to pursue; for there is no reason why the children of the working-classes (the modern serf caste) should be provided with free schools to acquire an exceedingly superficial knowledge of subjects that will never be of the slightest use to them in their journey through the world. The modern school of continental thought clearly recognises that the world has only one real 'use' for the serf caste, whether they are plainly called serfs or disguise themselves as 'noble sons of toil' or honest workmen, and that is that they shall be employed as the basis of servitude upon which a noble and aristocratic culture may be founded. The Brahmins saw this; so did the pre-Platonic philosophers; and so also did Aristotle. The final touch of modern anarchy is shown by the fact that in the 'civilised' countries of the West the dregs of society are permitted to rule the whole community; for the principle of government is one man one vote, and it follows that the uneducated riff-raff must inevitably outnumber the cultured few. Paragons are always found. Little wonder that the better-educated classes of Indians protest emphatically against the introduction of these revolutionary forms of government into their country, and that the Chinese and Japanese look with justifiable suspicion on all 'foreign devils.' There are several points in the above passage we would be prepared to controvert; however much we might sympathise with his main argument. We quote it merely to show his method. Brahmanism or Hinduism, Buddhism, Mohammedanism (with its sectarian offshoots), and Judaism are dealt with separately, but not chronologically, in a clear and simple manner which will be acceptable to those who wish to learn something of these religions without going too deeply into any of them. Few of us have attempted to master the ethical systems that take the place of religion in China. Mr. Kennedy devotes space to the teaching of Confucius, Lao-tse and Mencius, and has something to say of Japanese Buddhism and Shintism. In his references to Christianity—which might well have been longer—Mr. Kennedy writes too fully; nevertheless he evidently considers its ultimate effect to be efficiency and degeneracy. He would utter a warning against the application of a system issuing from the East, and intended originally for a class existing under certain conditions, to Western countries under somewhat different conditions. This idea is not likely to be acceptable to Christians who have no knowledge of other religious systems and of the successive rise of each and of the early history of Christianity. But here again we must ask for a detached view of Mr. Kennedy's work. It is to be recommended as clear and understandable. Any defects we may have indicated may well be due to excessive compression to bring the work within reasonable limits. Besides imparting information, it makes the reader think, and that is an achievement of which to be proud in these days of mental slowness.

Industrial England in the Eighteenth Century. By H. T. WOOD. London: John Murray.

Sir Henry Trevelyan Wood, M.A., who is Secretary of the Royal Society of Arts, in this small volume of about two hundred pages describes the industrial condition of England at the time of the foundation of the Society in 1754: a period just preceding the industrial revolution caused by the introduction of machinery, the improvement of

the steam engine and the application of science to arts and manufactures. The author acknowledges help from a number of competent authorities, and the little work can therefore be recommended as authoritative as well as extremely interesting.

Behind the Scenes in Peking. MARY HOOKER. London: John Murray.

This is another book of experience during the siege of the Legations by the Boxers. We have not discovered anything new in the book, but it gives the woman's point of view, and the incidents of the famous siege will ever have an interest for new readers. Mrs. Hooker is an American lady who was staying at the American Legation at the time of the siege. Her story has been compiled from "letters, owing to circumstances never sent," and from a diary written by her spasmodically during the siege. The book contains many reproductions from photographs. Ten years have now elapsed since that terrible experience, but the siege is one which will long live in history and the gallantry, the sufferings and privation of the men and women, besieged for two months before the combined forces of half a dozen nations were able to drive off the savage hordes by whom they were invested, go to make up one of the most enthralling stories in history, and as such it will be read by succeeding generations in all countries of the world. We do not recommend Mrs. Hooker's book as a history. The historical sense is entirely lacking in the narrative, but as a bright gossip account of such every-day incidents as would come under the ken of a woman in such circumstances, the book is readable and will doubtless claim attention, especially from the younger generation who have grown up since the events which it narrates occurred.

Queen of the Turf. By NAT GOULD. London: John Long, Ltd.

That realistic writer of turf stories, Nat Gould, has produced another work worthy of his facile pen. "Queen of the Turf" is a book abounding in those characters, straight and crooked, who are always to be found at the "sport of kings." Close and exciting finishes to world-famed races, the bearing of the lucky and unlucky plunger, and other moving incidents are the material from which this work is drawn, and which make it such interesting reading.

Chickens Come Home to Roost. By L. B. HILLIER. London: John Long, Ltd.

The author of this work claims that the story is not a fictitious one. This is quite understandable, for like incidents are occasionally recorded in the columns of the daily Press. Truth is sometimes stranger than fiction, and the subject matter of this book, with the skill of the author, has been woven into a remarkably interesting and strange story; a story which illustrates how the sins of the fathers are visited upon the children.

Their Heart's Desire. By Mrs. COLQUHOUN GRANT. London: John Long, Ltd.

An agreeable novel which is bound to appeal to readers who appreciate a well-told story. It is a tale of misplaced affections, martyred love and of the sorrows and passions which develop from the linking in the matrimonial bond of minds which do not think alike. In this instance, however, all comes right with the principals in the little drama, for the tyrant husband of the heroine is killed in a vendetta, and the lost husband of a scheming woman appears on the scene to thwart her scheme for leading the hero to the altar.

The Cross of Honour. By MARY OPENSHAW. London: T. Werner Laurie.

The promise given by the early works of Miss Openshaw is certainly fulfilled in this novel. It is a well-told story, revolving round the great Napoleon and illustrating afresh the extraordinary fascination wielded by the Little Corporal both over man and woman. Marie Walewska, the young wife of an aged Polish count, in an ecstasy of patriotic enthusiasm, determines to see Napoleon and appeal to him to save her distressed country. She does so, but afterwards she regrets her impulsive action, as Napoleon shows his attachment for her. She resists his advances and is meanwhile approached by aristocratic Poles who insist that it is her duty to sacrifice herself and her honour in order to please the Emperor and thereby help to save Poland. Her dilemma continues until she discovers that she is really in love with Napoleon's man and then she flies to him. Her cousin, who also loved her, on learning that she had so dishonoured herself, takes his life, thus ending a hopeless passion. The authoress is certainly to be complimented on a most interesting historical novel.

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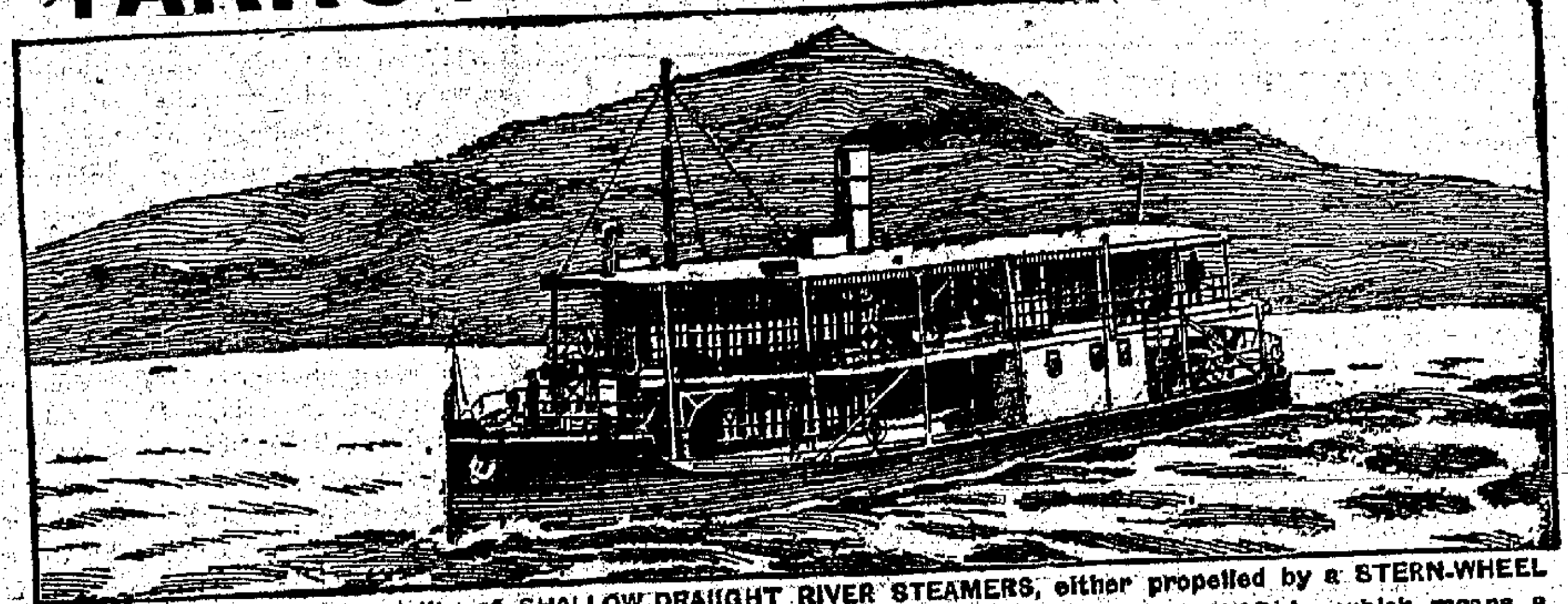
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SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

TARRED ROADS AND VEGETATION.
A mysterious disease of trees and shrubs in Paris has been charged to road tarring by M. Forestier, engineer in charge of the streets. The effects have been specially noticed in the Bois de Boulogne, which magnificent avenue is a mile long and nearly 700 feet in total width, with a central roadway more than 50 feet wide, two 70-foot sidewalks, and a continuous line of gardens on each side. Until within a few years the varied collection of trees, shrubs and other plants has continued in fine condition. Since the tarring of the roadway, however, many trees have died, their leaves becoming covered with brown and white spots and shrivelling up as if burnt, and brown and shrivelled leaves have appeared on many living specimens of lilac, currant, Dentia chestnut, maple and catalpa, while such herbaceous plants as geraniums and begonias have ceased to blossom. Many of the engineers at the Brussels Road Congress doubted that the tarring was the cause of the diseased vegetation, in spite of the apparent connection.

CLOTHED IN LIGHTNING.
A novel and brilliant stage effect is said to have been the idea of an actress of Charlottenburg. Miniature lamps carried as personal decoration in fancy dances have had a pleasing appearance, but this German performer has sought something more sensational by covering her costume with strips of finely divided metal and bringing each strip into the circuit of a small electric current of high voltage and high rate of oscillation. On a darkened stage, the figure appears in a wild and startling garb of ribbons of lightning.

WEAR-RESISTING ROADS.
The use of motor-cars has been found by H. J. Wakeham, an English county surveyor, to have been attended by an increase in cost of road maintenance in 41 counties of 41 per cent. in 10 years. In Surrey the increase reached 138 per cent. The low increase of only 7 per cent. in Middlesex is attributed to the use of the toughest basalt for roads, with an annual painting with a hot bituminous coating.

RADIUM-DYED GEMS.
With chloride and bromide of radium at \$100 a milligram, or \$6,500 a grain, the use of radium to give artificial colour to precious stones has little industrial promise. To give a more accurate idea of the possible changes, Ambrecht, in London, has been experimenting for many months, and has produced some remarkable effects upon colour. About 200 white sapphires—pure oxide of aluminium—were kept in contact with radium two or three weeks. About 75 per cent. turned yellow, the shades ranging from lemon to dark orange; a few, apparently from another locality, became green, pinkish, or amethyst colour, and a very few changed to rose colour. A light blue was imparted to two or three—too light to give value approaching that of the much-prized deep blue sapphires. Pale emeralds were somewhat darkened by radium, but were not given the deep green of the expensive stones. Brown diamonds were bleached almost white, nothing being obtained like the beautiful blue gem into which Sir Wm. Crookes transformed a yellow diamond. Amethysts were altered by radium into smoky or yellow quartz, dirty appearing pearls were cleaned to a clearer white, but opals were not amenable to treatment.

THE RED OF THE BLOOD.
Hemoglobin, an albuminoid substance containing iron and sulphur, gives red blood corpuscles their colour and is the carrier of oxygen from the lungs. It is possible to isolate and even crystallize it, and Dr. E. T. Reichart, of Philadelphia, experimenting with the blood of 2,800 living animals, has endeavoured to classify the varying forms of crystals according to their sources, and to read in them some new lessons in evolution. The crystals from a white man are narrow rectangular columns. Those from the orang-outang are very similar, but those from negroes and gorillas are short and thick. The hemoglobin crystals prove the close relationship of the domestic cat and the African lion and of the horse and the mule. Such crystals may have practical importance in criminal cases, and may decide whether a drop of blood is from man, woman, child, adult, old person, white, or negro.

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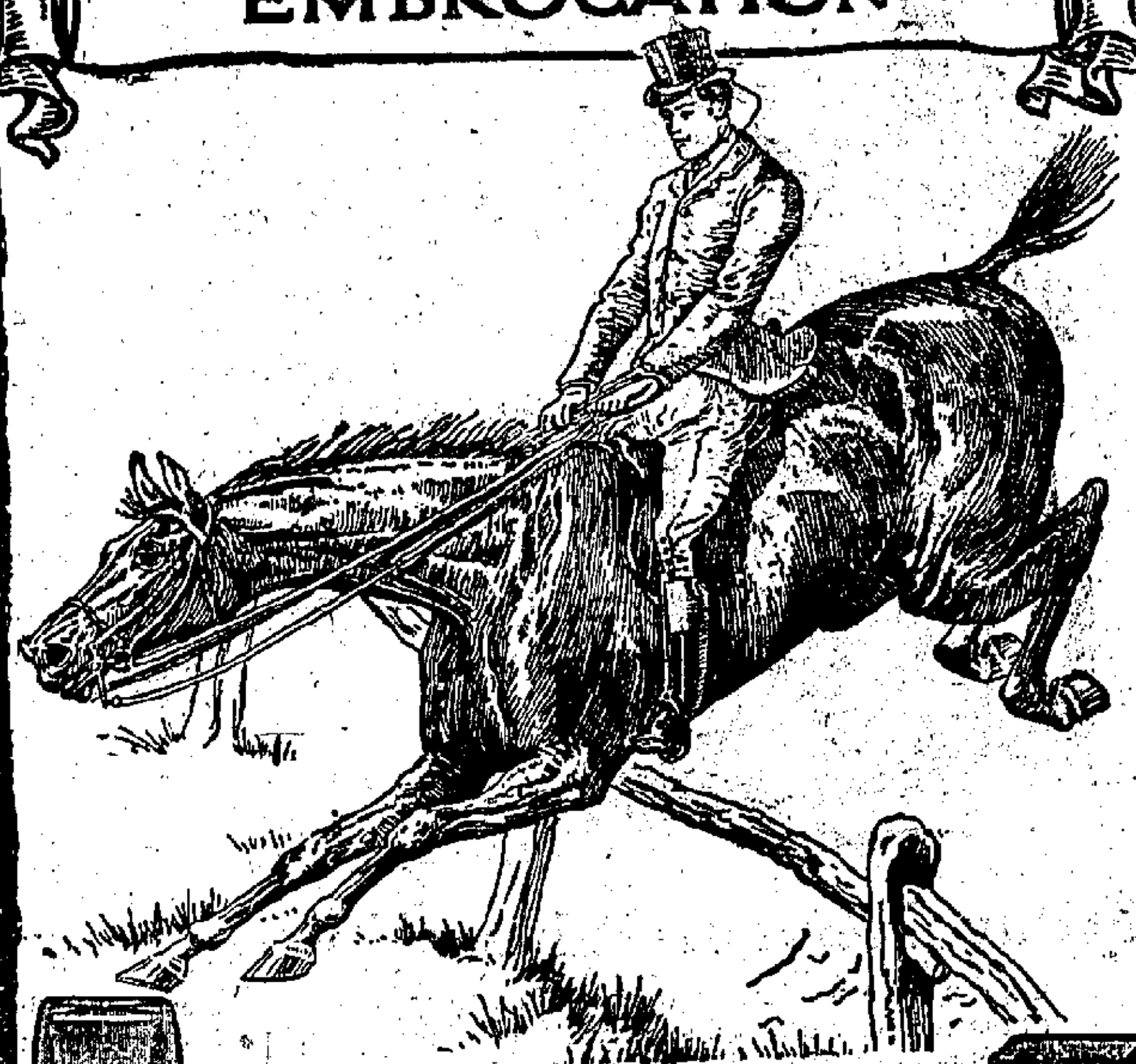


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OR
THE PLAY-GROUND OF PASSIONBy CHARLES J. H. HALCOMBE.
(Author of "The Mystic Flower Land,"
"Children of Far Cathay," etc.)

CHAPTER I.

THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN.

This is a pretty little country, being spoiled
by the sea, and you'll say the same when you've
seen as much of it as I have," observed John
Splice, master of the schooner-rigged steam
yacht *Far Cathay*, which was approaching the
harbour of Nagasaki."Yes," he added with grave certitude, "our
so-called Christian civilization, with its stars
and stripes, just kills a some people—and
it'll kill the Japs." It has already taken half
the colouring out of the country, but it can't
turn yellow into white, no, not much!"The person addressed, Guy Merton by name,
was a young man of about thirty, rather slight
of build and tolerably good-looking. He was
the owner of the aforesaid yacht, a partner
in the well-known firm of Merton,
Matheson & Coy. of Hongkong and Shanghai,
established by his father, the late John Merton.From the latter port he had recently sailed with
the intention of spending a short holiday in
Japan; for, although he had been in the Far
East for some three or four years, this was his
first trip to the fair "Land of the Rising Sun."But the yacht had only put into Nagasaki for a
supply of coal and would then proceed to
Yokohama, where Merton purposed spending a
week or two in sight-seeing.It was early in the day, and as the night-
mist rolled away over the face of the water, a
beautiful panorama was unfolded to the gaze of
those aboard the yacht. They had left the turbid
bay-coloured stream of the mighty Yangtze
far astern and were gliding over a deep-blue
sea, faintly rippling beneath the soft touch of
a southerly breeze, and dotted at intervals with
the square white sails of fishing boats; while here
and there a high-stemmed junk with ruddy-hued
sails drifted slowly upon the tide. And ahead
on either hand was a diversified landscape
replete with the glory of an almost tropical
sun and enhanced by the singular clearness of
the atmosphere which enabled the naked eye to
discern the most minute and remote objects.On the starboard bow were the small islands
of Komeki and Kogono, variable jewels of the
sea; and further on were secluded bays and quaint
villages nestled beneath deeply-wooded hills rich
in every tint of green and artistically relieved
in places by Indian-like bungalows, quaintly-
fashioned temples or rustic homesteads, the
curving roofs of which peeped out unexpectedly
from among the umbrageous foliage of palm,
plane and feathery bamboo; and in the back-
ground tier upon tier of gorges, gullies, pine-clad
ridges and a score of other philanthropists
all clustered toward other ranges, all clothed in
various vegetation, beyond which loomed the
tolly Compro Hill, pale and purple in the
dim distance.The narrow entrance of the harbour
now became visible as the vessel passed
close to the northern end of Kogono, and
running in on the right of the islands of
Kamine Sana and Siro Sana, opened
new and varied vistas of scenery including the
town and settlement of Nagasaki, resting upon
the shores of a land-locked bay, and the famous
Poppenberg Hill with its tower of adamant
and precipitous cliffs falling sheer down to the
very water's edge. The wind now fell to almost
a calm, and being unable to utilize the engines
through lack of coal, they made but slow pro-
gress."What a magnificent harbour," exclaimed
Merton, looking about him with admiring eyes.
"I thought that Amoy was the fairest spot in
the Far East, but this beats anything I have
ever seen in China."That's so, Mr. Merton," laconically replied
the skipper, who was a tall, slender, fair-
haired man with a pointed beard. "And that's a pretty
cliff to me as a spring-board for a flying dive
into these waters."He pointed with his long, thin beard toward
the dizzy heights of Poppenberg Island.
"It's never been done," cried Merton.
"Hasn't it, though? quoth his companion.
"Make no mistake, Mr. Merton, life hasn't
always been so soft and agreeable as it is now-
adays for the Christian communities dwelling
in these parts; and, if history be correct, I
calculate they must have had some uncommonly
interesting experiences in former times. For
instance, if you and I had been sailing into
this peaceful little harbour on a particular
occasion some three hundred odd years back, we
might have seen a whole population of Christians,
men, women and children, leaping overboard
cliff, while squads of little Jap soldiers politely
awaited them to get overboard quickly and make
room for their friends. That was when Taiko
Sama was Emperor of Japan, and he was a
wise man in his way.""But the Japanese have changed for the
better since then," observed Merton, gazing
intently upon that tragic scene.
"Changed, yes," drily assented the skipper;
"as much changed as a snake is when it has
wriggled itself out of its old skin by reason of
the fact that the covering was worn out and too
thin to be serviceable.""Always that confounded pessimism of yours,
you're cursed with it," laughed Merton, "and it
makes for suspicion, of everyone. You do our
flimsy little ship an injustice.""Call it pessimism or what you like, Mr.
Merton; I call it American common sense, and
that's the commodity we deal in most. Don't
you believe I miscalculate the Japs any more
than I miscalculate the lay of their land.
They're as sane and as busy as bees—that I
admit, and when old China John over yonder
fairly wakes up and lifts his other leg out of
the grave of his worshipful ancestors, and these
yellow peoples begin pleasing one another with
their chin-chimners, and other little arts
and civilities, then look out the smalls.
There'll be feasting for them, and there'll be
reasons for it, and we don't go down on our
knees to them, and crawl for the crumbs we
want from their table.""That is your view of the situation," said
Merton rather tartly, "but I am inclined to
take a different one and to regard their emulation
of our customs and contrivances as a compliment
which goes far to prove the sincerity of their
friendship. If not, why do they give us such a
jolly cordial welcome to their country?""Well," responded the skipper, "you see,
they found that the old class of live would
work at a profit and was open to speculation, so
they adapted the new style and invited us wis-
doms of the west to bring our notions over here
and put civilized sections into their lives
and prepare them for the honey. The contract
is about finished, I guess. But you may be
your bottom dollar, Mr. Merton, they don't
intend that we shall gather or gaze any of the
honey, not much! They want it all for them-
selves, and more than they are likely to get at
present, considering there's a big Russian bear
looming about and trying to steal the honey.
In this part of the world they work on the bar-
ter principle, and there are no work-houses or plant
houses for the poor drunks; so they must allwork or perish and only the fittest survive. So
you see, Mr. Merton, there's no room for us, and
sooner or later we must get—or grow—less.""What absurd nonsense!" retorted Merton.
"For the matter of that, where England plants
her foot, there she stops.""That's so," smiled the skipper. "She planted
her foot in the United States once upon a time
but found the ground so rough that it hurt her
corns and she jumped back across the pond.""Jumped he d—d! Come and have a whisky
and soda," retorted Merton, moving towards
the skylight.Be careful, Mr. Merton," quoth Captain
Splice, "you'll be having the rain.""Rain be damned!" retorted Merton, the nonchalant
rejoinder to Merton leaped over the skylight
and ordered the steward to bring the refreshment.He and the skipper were old friends, but their
opinions invariably clashed; and, strange to
say, this very fact seemed to strengthen their
regard for one another. So the yacht sailed
past Ogami Point and up the long harbour she
was met by a flotilla of gay-coloured
sampans and sailing boats, headed by a
couple of small steam launches. These craft
dashed alongside in reckless style, looking on
near the gangway, and out of them climbed a
small army of smiling-faced Japanese, some
tripped in sober yet picturesque kimono and
others in European clothes of an indifferent
fit; but even these in native dress strove to
identify themselves with the beau monde of
New Japan by wearing black or grey bowler
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sole ambition was to gratuitously clean or mend
his linen, and a score of other philanthropists
all actuated by the most charitable motives.These good people approached the object of
their solicitude with a meekness and humility
befitting their honourable callings; their very
deportment implying a desire on their part to
grovel or die outright in the presence of so
transcendent a being and an apology for living;
and daring to pollute with their breath the air
which he breathed. But the Yankee skipper was
unsympathetic and had a somewhat short way of
dealing with these kindly-disposed visitors. He
accepted them with embarrassed ejaculations,
emphasizing his speech with the end of a thick
though flexible rope which he flourished in such
a suggestive manner as to cause the company to
withdraw with as much despatch as was con-
sistent with their excessive politeness, each one
sheltering that part of his person most liable
to attack by retiring backwards, at the same
time making elaborate obeisances, expressing
gratitude for the warm reception accorded them,
and promising to call again and renew the
interview at a more convenient time.Such was Merton's entry into Japan.
Leaving the mystic shores of an archaic
Empire, behind in the balmy stillness
of summer, Fate had guided his steps to those
of another empire equally as strange and far
more beautiful. Young, comparatively wealthy,
and with all the world before him, little did he
imagine that he was now crossing the threshold
of a golden gateway which would usher him
into scenes and events that were destined to
change the whole tenor of his life, and that ere
he passed out through those bright portals his
fate would be irrevocably sealed. Could he
have foreseen the fatal consequences of this
visit, he would, like a wise man, he would have
turned the head of his yacht seaward and have
sailed back to the shores whence he had come.Poor Merton! He was such a thoroughly
good fellow that everybody loved him, but, like
many other good fellows in the Far East, he
drank rather more than was good for him; and
he to whose lot it has fallen to chronicle this
closing epoch of his brief life can affirm with
all sincerity that a stancher, straighter friend
never lived.But the die was cast; there was to be no
going back. And when the *Far Cathay* had dropped
anchor among the shipping, and the harbour
master and customs officials had been on board,
the four-eared pig was lowered, manned and he
and the skipper went ashore together.

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"I had to take drugs after almost every meal—pain and nausea resulted if I didn't. I lived on invalid foods and mince, but these things didn't nourish me and I continued to lose strength. So-called tonics and pick-me-ups only stimulated me for the minute and then played havoc with my nerves."

"From time to time I consulted skillful physicians. Each one told me that my trouble was Acute Nervous Debility, I persevered with whatever they prescribed, but always with the same result. I would be a little better for a day or so, and then have a relapse."

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NOTES AND NEWS.

GERMAN CENSUS RESULTS.

The provisional results of the Census already published show that there are forty-six towns in Germany with a population of over 100,000 as compared with fifteen in 1880, twenty-six in 1890, thirty-three in 1900, and forty-one in 1905. The population of these forty-six towns is given at just under fourteen millions, and if, as estimated, the entire population of Germany be sixty-five millions, 22 per cent. of all the inhabitants live in the towns, as compared with 19 per cent. in 1905.

A GRAMME OF RADIUM.

The director of the English Radium Institute, Mr. Alton, in Vienna arrived recently to purchase a gramme of radium from the Austrian Government. The transaction was carried out in the name of Sir Ernest Cassel, who intends making a present of the radium to the institution. Mr. Alton made the proposal a considerable time ago to the Government, but then obtained nothing, as there was not sufficient of this valuable material to hand. Half a gramme can now be sold. Its volume will be ascertained, and then forwarded to England in January. As soon as the other half-gramme has been prepared at Jochimssthal, a process which will take about three months, it will also be despatched. The price is £16,000 for one gramme, which will be reduced to £14,000 for the English Institute.

WIFE BEATEN THROTTLED BY A MAGISTRATE.

A frail, delicate woman called upon Magistrate Hardon of Wilkes Barre, Penn., recently showed cuts and bruises on her head and arms, and told the magistrate similar marks were on her body generally, all the result of the nightly beatings her husband gave her. She asked for some protection. The magistrate issued a warrant for the man and sent an officer after him. When the man was brought into court the magistrate left his desk carrying a heavy whip. "I cannot control myself in the presence of such a brute," he exclaimed. "Take off your coat and get down on your knees." The man did so, and the magistrate lashed him until he rolled over howling. "I'll teach you to strike your wife," the magistrate said many times, and stopped the whipping only when the man promised never to strike his wife again.

THE PROFITS OF ILLUSTRATED PAPERS.

The Directors of the leading London illustrated paper sent to the newspapers last month the following letter:—It might appear from the evidence of Mr. J. M. Bullock, as reported in a portion of the Press, that the position of the sixteenth illustrated paper was not as satisfactory as the facts show. Mr. Bullock held it clear that he was not a financial expert, his duties being purely literary and editorial; but we beg to point out that the division profit of the Illustrated London News and Sketch in 1910 was considerably over £30,000; that the Graphic and Pictorial paid a dividend last August of 7 per cent. to their shareholders; and that the Illustrated Sporting and Pictorial News showed on the last balance-sheet the largest profit made during the thirty-seven years of its existence. These facts speak for themselves.

THE ELECTRIC EYE.

Professor Rosing, of the Institute of Technology, St. Petersburg, is announced to give a public lecture on a discovery which he claims to be one of the most remarkable ever made by a scientist. He declares that, after fifteen years of incessant labour, he has succeeded in constructing an electro-telescope apparatus which has all the virtues of what might be termed an "electric eye," and which will enable the fortunate owner to see anything and any one he chooses. By a adjustment of the apparatus an employer sitting in his office will be able to see "see" other parts of the building and watch his unconscious employees at work. A man will be able to sit at home and witness a theatrical performance, or arrivals at a railway station, or any event of interest that may be happening at a long distance away from the observer. Professor Rosing claims that a general who uses this invention will be able to observe the movements of the enemy as well as the movements of his own forces. He promises to give a full explanation of his invention in the near future.

WELTHIEST HEIRESS.

Miss Catherine Barker, of Chicago, aged 14, inherits £25,000,000 the entire fortune of her father, John Barker, constructor of tram and railway cars, and a highly successful investor, who died last month. She is now the richest girl in the country, says a New York correspondent, being worth just double as much as Miss Helen Gould of New York, and three times as much as Miss Jennie Crocker, of San Francisco, the two young ladies nearest her in worldly possessions. Catherine lost her mother last June, and is now in charge of a governess. The estate is administered by the Chicago Trust and Savings Bank. "It's just horrid having so much money," Catherine told a reporter, but the governess present at the interview said, "You must try to endure your affliction with patience." Catherine is very popular with her girl friends, who declare that she will always be Catherine, and that money cannot spoil her. One of the late millionaire's pet prejudices was a hatred for cigarette smoking. He urged Nelson Barnes, a young broker, of New York, who was then engaged to his favourite niece, to quit cigarette. His urgings were in vain, and at last he said, "Barnes, if you throw away that cigarette, and pledge your word of honour never to smoke another, I'll give you £10,000." "Done," said Barnes, who gave his word, and forthwith replaced the cigarette by cigars.

AN EMPIRE SUGGESTION.

The Empire Magazine, which is establishing itself as the popular Imperial monthly, in the December issue publishes a suggestion that there should be a "non-party" Conference in Great Britain before the next Imperial Conference. The writer says the spontaneous outbreak of Imperial enthusiasm which marked November "was no accidental circumstance; no mere whim of the moment. It was rather a manifestation of how strongly the ideal of united Empire has seized the hearts of the people. Evidently, even when they are not talking Imperialism, they are thinking Imperialism. The Conference on the domestic Constitutional question in Great Britain, though it failed to achieve its direct object, effected some real good. In saying that all responsible statesmen agree. Clearly a non-party Conference is within the scope of the genius of our party political system when a really big issue obtrudes. Why, then, should not the Conference method be applied to the furtherance of the Imperial idea? All parties that are worth considering believe in the necessity of closer Empire unity, but there are strong differences of opinion as to method. If all parties—Liberal, Unionist, Irish, and Labour—were to be represented at a Conference of twelve early next year, before the Overseas Dominion delegates arrive, possibly a 'United Kingdom' in the full sense of the word could greet our children with some definite plan to which all parties here had agreed."

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REFERENDUM IN A WORKHOUSE.

There was a lively debate last month at the Bourne (Lincolnshire) Board of Guardians meeting on the question of the allowance of beer to paupers on Christmas Day. The subject has been keenly debated on previous occasions, and it was stated that the referendum had been put into operation and the inmates themselves were against the beer allowance. By 14 votes to 13 the meeting decided against the allowance. This will be the first Christmas at Bourne Union when beer has not been allowed.

NEW HULL FOR WARSHIPS.

According to the *Tagliche Rundschau*, the German Ministry of Marine is carrying out trials with a new model of hull for large vessels, which has already been proved at the experimental station of the North German Lloyd at Bremerhaven to show an economy of 25 per cent. in engine-power for a given speed. This is achieved by a reduction of the resistance to water owing to the form of the hull, combined with a change in the situation of the propellers. It is further claimed that the new hull will be much steeper, especially with high speeds. It is the invention of a Herr von Koepen.

TWO MEALS A DAY.

Dr. J. Stenson Hooker, lecturing last month before the Psycho-Therapeutic Society at the Carlton Hall, London, on "Feeding and Fasting," said that in the two meals a day plan lay a great preventive of catarrhs, influenza, and a host of other diseases under the form of dyspepsia, gout, liver affections, &c. The great point in such a system was that a longer interval between meals elapsed and that he was absolutely certain, from his own experience and that of patients, was one of the cardinal secrets of a perfect digestion, and therefore most highly conducive to health generally. Further they would not thus be so liable to overload their tissues and organs and bloodvessels with indigestible material, and mental clarity was thus gained. As to the best time for these two meals, that would depend to some extent upon circumstances, but he suggested, if it were at all possible, to take the first meal about eleven or twelve, and the second at six or seven in the evening.

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* SIBERIA	16,000	SATURDAY	27th Jan., at 1 p.m.
* MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY	21st Jan., at 1 p.m.
* CHIYO MARU	21,000	SATURDAY	23rd Jan., at 1 p.m.
* MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY	16th April, at 1 p.m.
* TENYO MARU	21,000	SATURDAY	23rd April, at 1 p.m.
* KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY	12th Feb., at 1 p.m.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000	SATURDAY	25th Feb., at 1 p.m.

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STEAMERS to COLOMBO		Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON		Due MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
Steamer	Tons	1 P.M. SATURDAY	Steamer	Tons	SATURDAY	FRIDAY
DELHI	8000	February 4	MANTUA	11000	March 4	March 10
ARCADIA	7000	February 18	MALWA	11000	March 18	March 24
ASSAYE	7500	March 4	MACEDONIA	10500	April 1	April 7
MARMORA ..	10500	March 18	(Through Steamer calling at BOMBAY)		April 15	April 21
DEVANHA ...	8000	April 1	MOLDAVIA ..	10000	April 29	May 5
DELHI	8000	April 15	MONGOLIA ..	10000	May 13	May 19
ASSAYE	7500	April 29	MOREA	11000	May 27	June 2
DELTA	8000	May 13	MOOLTAN ..	10000	June 10	June 16

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.

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Steamers	Tonnage	about
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* NUBIA	5900	February 8
* SYRIA	6650	March 8
* NOBIA	6700	March 22
* PALAWAN	4700	April 5
* BOBENO	4600	April 19
* SUMATRA	4600	May 3
* NILE	6700	May 14

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
ANAPA, British str., 2,551, J. F. H. Park, 5th Jan.—Mojito 2nd Dec. Coal—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
BENEDI, British str., 2,508, J. Henderson, 5th Jan.—Kuchinota 1st Jan. Ballast—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
DEVANIA, British str., 4,785, H. Powell, 6th Jan.—Shanghai 3rd Jan. General—P. & O. S. N. Co.
HAINUN, British str., 641, A. H. Stewart, 6th Jan.—Swatow 5th Jan. General—Douglas, Laing & Co.
INAKO, Japanese str., 2,886, G. Shimidzu, 6th Jan.—Mito 31st Dec. Coal—Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
MONTEAGLE, British str., 6,163, H. Davidson, 6th Jan.—Vancouver, B.C., 12th Dec. Mails, Lumber, Salmon, &c.—Canadian Pacific Railway.
ONSA, British str., 6th Jan.—Canton.
PRONTO, Norwegian str., 838, Thomas Seeborg, 5th Jan.—Daly via Chofoo 30th Dec. Beans—Order.
STANDARD, Norwegian str., 894, A. B. Bull, 6th Jan.—Wakamatsu 30th Dec. Coal—Order.
STOKER, Danish str., 596, C. Topta—6th Jan.—Shanghai and Amoy 3rd Jan.—G. N. Telegraph & Co.
TEAN, British str., 1,346, A. W. Outerbridge, 6th Jan.—Manila 3rd Jan. Hemp and Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.

CLEARANCES.
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
6th Jan.
Carl Diederichsen, German str., for Heiloh.
Devania, British str., for Australia.
Onsaga, British str., for China.
Shanghai, British str., for Shanghai.
Siberia, American str., for Shanghai.
Tungking, British str., for Heiloh.
Tungking, British str., for Saigon.
Tungking, British str., for Swatow.
Tungking, British str., for Manila.

DEPARTURES.
6th Jan.
BENEDI, British str., for Manila.
BULLMOUTH, British str., for Singapore.
BUYO MARU, Japanese str., for Dairen.
CLARA JENSEN, German str., for Canton.
DELTA, British str., for Shanghai.
HAIYANG, British str., for Swatow.
MACHEW, German str., for Bangkok.
WINGU, British str., for Shanghai.
WUKU, British str., for Canton.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The Brit. str. Benedi reports: Light moon and fine weather.
The British str. Tean reports: Moderate moon and fine weather.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVED.
Per Tean, from Manila, Mrs. F. M. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Charles Grace, Major Hookney, Capt. Foy, Messrs. Hennessy, Naylor, Sparks, Randall and Catlin.
Per Monteagle, for Hongkong, from Vancouver, B.C., Mr. J. J. Keenan, from Yokohama, Miss K. Dray, Mrs. and Miss J. Clark, from Shanghai, Mrs. V. Thomas, Messrs. H. K. Matsunaga, H. F. Kwong, H. Gill and W. H. Donald.
Per Devania, for Hongkong, from Kobe, Mr. and Mrs. Landwater, Mr. Nakahashi, Mr. H. Kimura and Mr. Thea Parker, from Shanghai, Mr. C. Page, Miss Keep, Mr. H. Fabig, Mr. Yimserstordt and servant, Rev. Bishop de Trobrent and servant, Mr. F. Yu, Mr. and Mrs. Toherowsky, Mr. J. McDowell, Mrs. and Miss O. Jaisig, Mr. and Mrs. Kingman and servant, Mr. Emilio, Mr. G. Pizzo and Mr. de Lamotte, from Shanghai, for Singapore, Mr. Van der Veen, for Penang, Mr. Moses, from Colombo, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Bell, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Baldwin, for London, Mr. H. R. Boyd and Rev. Ridley.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. Prinz Waldemar left Sydney on the 17th ult., at 11 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow.
The E. & A. str. Empire from Sydney, &c., left Port Darwin on the 3rd inst. for Manila and this port.
THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P. M. S.S. Co. str. Manchuria sailed from Yokohama on the 1st inst. and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 9th inst.
The P. M. S.S. Co. str. Asia sailed from San Francisco on the 27th ultimo for Hongkong, via Honolulu, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.
THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Indo-China str. Kamsang from Calcutta and the Straits left Singapore for this port on the 31st ultimo.
THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. Delfinger, carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 14th ult., left Colombo on the 2nd inst. a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 13th inst. a.m.
THE CANADIAN MAIL.
The C.P.R. Co. str. Empress of India left Vancouver, B.C., on the 28th ultimo p.m., for Hongkong via usual ports of call.
EMERGENCY STEAMERS.
The str. Geyser left Singapore for this port on the 30th ultimo afternoon, and may be expected here to-day.
The Philippines Co. str. Rubi left Manila on the 5th inst., and is due here to-day at 5 p.m.
The Danish str. Indus left Singapore on the 2nd inst., and may be expected here to-morrow.
The "Ben Line" str. Denbighshire from Middlebrook, Antwerp and London, left Singapore on the 31st ultimo, for this port.
The T.K.K. str. Kaga Maru left Callao for this port via Mexico ports, Honolulu, and Japan ports, on the 30th Nov.
The P. & A. S.S. Co. str. Strath Allan sailed from Hongkong.
The str. Glenartney left London on 25th Nov., and is due here on or about 15th inst.
The P. & A. S.S. Co. str. Ryjga is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 16th inst.
The O.S.K. str. Chicago Maru from Tacoma has arrived at Yokohama on the 1st inst., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 18th inst.

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.
Dec. 13th—Dioned, Kamo Maru, Lotian, Sazona, Sagoria, Teenkai. 15th—Yanagawa, 20th—Bendeluch, Candia, Inveresk, Kanagawa Maru, Nonmouthshire. 23rd—Carmarthenshire, Kitan Maru, Oceanic, Fongambia, Sibia, Tydenus. 30th—Calchas, Ernest Simons, Hudson, Namur, Petrochus, Farquhar, Spenta, Yunnan. January 3rd—Benavente, Glenski, Orestes, Prins Bittel Friedrich, Cambria, Syria.
ARRIVALS AT HOME.
Jan. 2nd—Borneo, 3rd—Bendler, Laertes, Pathan, Muncester Castle, Indravelli.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessels, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "k." and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "k.w." together with the number denoting the section.

DESTINATION.	VESSEL'S NAMES.	FLAG & REG.	DEPART.	CAPTAIN.	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO.	TO BE DESPATCHED.
1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.	2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.	3. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard.	4. From Naval Yard to East Point.			
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SOMALI...	Brit. str.	—	A. G. Gubitt, R.N.M.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 3 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	NINE...	Brit. str.	—	E. P. Martin, R.N.M.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 10th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	DENBIGHSHIRE...	Brit. str.	—	W. Barrett	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 2nd Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	DEVANIA...	Brit. str.	—	R. Hayes	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SLAM...	Swed. str.	—	H. Powell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About middle of Jan.
COPENHAGEN & BALTIC PORTS.	NIPPON...	Swed. str.	—	G. G. Gubitt	OLDFIELD & Co., Ltd.	Beginning of Feb.
ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & ANTWERP, &c.	BRISGAVIA...	Ger. str.	k.w.	Debrun	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 18th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG, &c.	SPEZIA...	Ger. str.	k.w.	Peter	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 20th inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	SLAVONIA...	Ger. str.	k.w.	Sachs	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 19th inst.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG, &c.	ATSUTA MARU...	Jap. str.	—	Wm. Thompson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst.
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SAXONIA...	Jap. str.	—	Bable	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 10th Feb.
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	HITACHI MARU...	Jap. str.	—	N. Matheson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 1st Feb. at D'light
MARSEILLE, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	MIYASAKI MARU...	Jap. str.	—	T. Murai	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 15th Feb. at D'light
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERES, LYON, &c.	GOEBEN...	Ger. str.	—	G. Bolte	MEYER & Co.	On 11th inst. at Noon.
THIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PERLA...	Aut. str.	—	P. Giurgovich	SANDER, WIELER & Co.	On 27th inst. at 2 P.M.
BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	INDRASAMHA...	Am. str.	1 m.	...	DOWELL & Co.	About 21st inst.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	EMPEROR OF CHINA...	Brit. str.	2 m.	...	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	On 14th inst. at 7 A.M.
VANCOUVER VIA SHANGHAI, JAPAN, &c.	MONTEAGLE...	Brit. str.	—	...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 25th inst. at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	MEXICO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 10th inst. at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, &c.	TAMBA MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 31st inst. at Noon.
VANCOUVER (DIRECT) VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	AWA MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. Co.	On 23rd Feb. at Noon
CALLAO, IQUIQUE & VIA JAPAN PORTS, &c.	SIYERU...	Jap. str.	—	...	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 17th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHINA...	Am. str.	—	...	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	To-day, at 1 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	MANCHURIA...	Jap. str.	—	...	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 14th inst. at 1 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	NIKKO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 20th inst. at Noon
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	PRINCE WALDEMAR...	Jap. str.	—	...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 28th inst. at D'light
AUSTRALIAN PORTS VIA MANILA	KUMANO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	FORBES & Co.	On 17th Feb. at Noon
PORTLAND VIA MANILA & JAPAN	PRINCE WALDEMAR...	Ger. str.	—	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 10th inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YATSHING...	Brit. str.	—	...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 11th inst. at 4 P.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 14th inst. at 11 A.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst. at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TJIBODAS...	Dut. str.	1 m.	...	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch
JAPAN	KASHING...	Brit. str.	—	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst. at 4 P.M.
TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO...	POOKSANG...	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	To-morrow, at daylight
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	LINAN...	Brit. str.	—	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon
SHANGHAI	KWONGSANG...	Brit. str.	—	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	About 10th inst.
SHANGHAI	DELHI...	Ger. str.	—	...	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 11th inst.
SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	DEEFLINGER...	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	MEYER & Co.	On 12th inst. at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	CHINHA...	Ger. str.	—	...	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	Beginning of Jan.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SEGOVIA...	Dut. str.	—	...	MEYER & Co.	About 13th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	INDIA...	Brit. str.	—	...	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	COLOMBO MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	OLDFIELD & Co., Ltd.	Middle of Feb.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YEDDO...	Brit. str.	—	...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 19th inst. at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & MOJI	BUJUN MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE	On 28th inst.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SAMBIA...	Ger. str.	k.w.	...	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	TUPANAS...	Dut. str.	—	...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 18th inst. at 8 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	SOSHU MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 9th inst. at 5 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIUN MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon
TAMUL VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SHENGKING...	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 A.M.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	HAIYANG...	Brit. str.	2 h.	...	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	On 10th inst. at 4 P.M.
SWATOW	HAICHONG...	Brit. str.	2 h.	...	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	On 13th inst. at 11 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	HAITAN...	Brit. str.	2 h.	...	DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.	On 17th inst. at 11 A.M.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	HAITANG...	Brit. str.	—	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst. at Noon
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	CHINLI...	Brit. str.	—	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 10th inst. at 4 P.M.
HAIPHONG	YUENSANG...	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 11th inst. at 4 P.M.
MANILA	TEAN...	Am. str.	—	...	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	On 14th inst. at Noon
MANILA	RUBI...	Brit. str.	—	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 18th inst. at 4 P.M.
MANILA, ILOILO & CEBU	LOLOANG...	Am. str.	—	...	SHAW, TOMES & Co.	To-day, at Noon
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	LAPORO...	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 10th inst. at 4 P.M.
LOILO & CEBU	SUNGKANG...	Brit. str.	1 m.	...	MEYER & Co.	Middle of Jan.
LOILO & CEBU	BOBNO...	Ger. str.	—	...	CARLOWITZ & Co.	On 13th inst. at Noon
LUZON & SANDAKAN	CABRI...	Ital. str.	—	...	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 19th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & PENANG	CEYLON MARU...	Jap. str.	—	...	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 10th inst. at Noon
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, & COLOMBO	KUTSANG...	Dut. str.	—	...	JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE	Quick despatch
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALUTTA	TUNHAI...	Dut. str.	—	...		

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From Hongkong. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" Sat., 14th Jan. "MONTEAGLE" Wed., 25th Jan. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" Sat., 11th Feb. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" Sat., 11th Mar.
From St. John, N.B. "EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 10th Mar. "EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 7th Apr. "EMPERESS OF IRELAND" Fri., 5th May.

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First Class rate to London includes cost of Meals and Berth in Sleeping Car while crossing the American Continent by Canadian Pacific direct Line.
R.M.S. "MONTEAGLE" carries Intermediate Passengers only, at Intermediate rates, affording superior accommodation for all points and AROUND THE WORLD.
Passengers Booked through to all points and AROUND THE WORLD. SPECIAL THROUGH RATES (First Class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments. Full particulars of application from Agents. For further information, Maps, Routes, Handbooks, Rates of Freight and Passage, apply to D. W. CRADDOCK, General Traffic Agent for China, Corner Pedder Street and Praya, opposite Blake Pier.

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TRIPS TO TONKIN.

S.S. "TOUAREG" Capt. E. de Catalon.
MAIL LINE BETWEEN HONGKONG AND HAIPHONG (VIA KWANG CHOW WANG).

Fortnightly Service in 53 hours, under French Government Contract.
Leaves Hongkong on WEDNESDAY, at 9 A.M.
Arrives Haiphong on FRIDAY, at 2 P.M.

1ST AND 2ND CLASSES ON BOARD.
For Passages and Freight, apply to P. THOMAS, M.M. Co.'s AGENT.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1911.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "CALEDONNIEN" COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. "Medoc" from Havre ex s.s. "Medoc" from Bordeaux ex s.s. "Verbechem". All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 10th inst., or they will not be recognized. All damaged packages will be examined on the 9th inst., at 3 P.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
P. THOMAS, Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1911.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM EUROPE.

THE "CARDIGANSHIRE" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whences and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
Goods not cleared by the 10th inst., at 6 P.M., will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on TUESDAY, 10th inst., at 10 A.M. Claims against the Steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd. Agents.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1911.

ON SALE.

BOUND VOLUMES of the HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS, January to June, 1910. With Index. Price \$7.50.
On sale at the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Office.
—Hongkong, 10th June, 1910.

SOCIETA ANONIMA NAZIONALE DI SERVIZI MARITIMI

STEAM FOR BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND PENANG. Having connection with Company's Mail Steamers to Port Said, Messina, Naples, Leghorn and Genoa, also Venice and Trieste, all Mediterranean, Adriatic, Levantine and South American Ports up to Callao. (Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSEUS, GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.)

THE Steamship

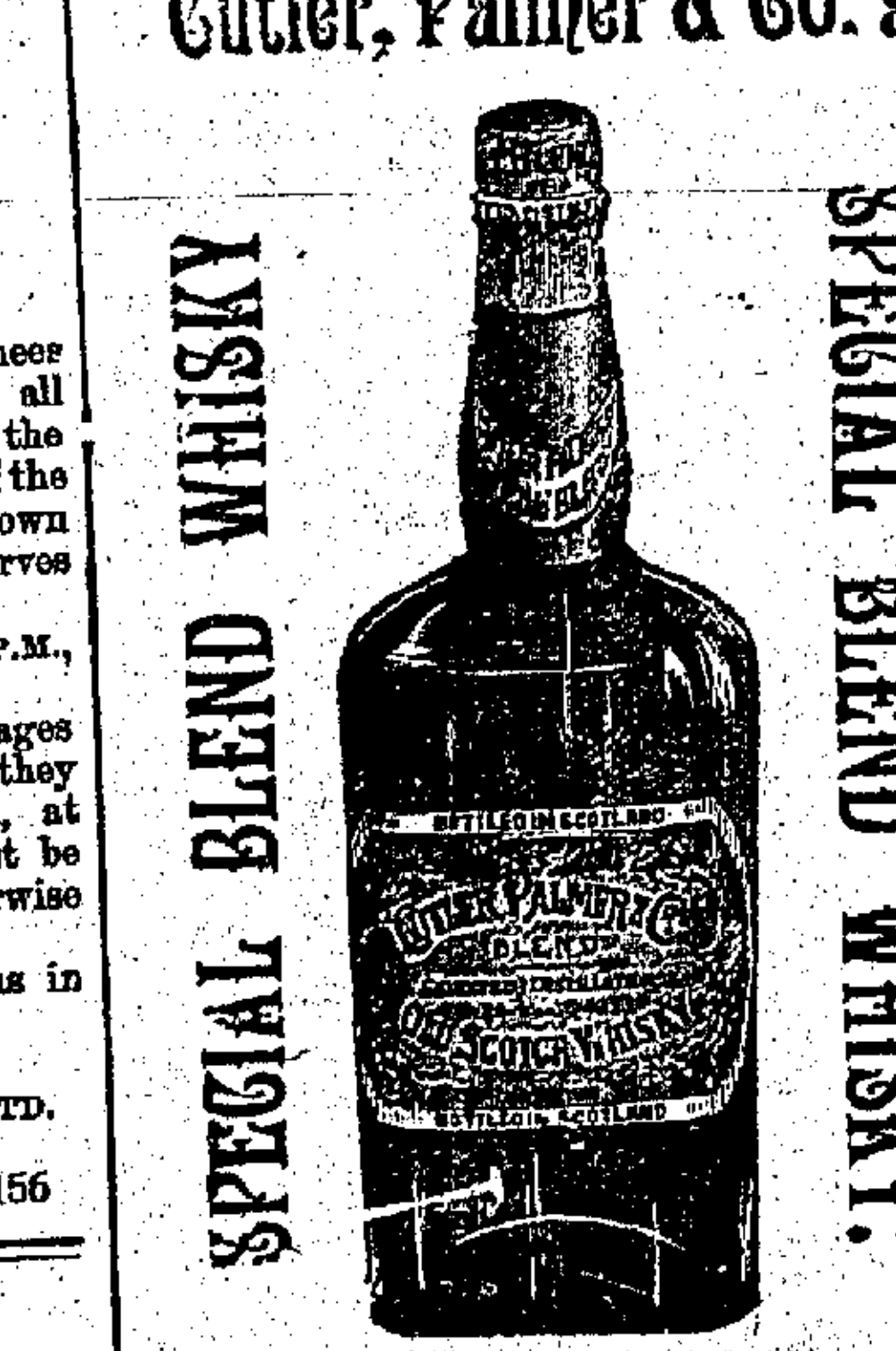
"CAPRI." Captain Marocco, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 13th January, at Noon. For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1910.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

(WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT MALABAR COAST).
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK. S.S. "SHIMOSA," On or about 27th Jan. For Freight and further information, apply to RODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1911.

Cutler, Palmer & Co.'s



Cutler, Palmer & Co., London

SIEMSEN & CO., HONGKONG.

VESSELS ON THE BEATIN

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR SATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"DEVANIA." Captain H. Powell, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for Bombay, &c., TO-DAY, the 7th January, 1911, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's s.s. "MOOLTAN," 10,000 tons, from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.
Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London, other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay by the R.M.S. "CALCUTTA," due in London on the 18th February, 1911.
Parcels will be received at this office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. Contents and value of all packages are required to be stated.
For further particulars, apply to B. A. HEWETT, Superintendant.
Hongkong, 27th December, 1910.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS, LTD.

FOR LONDON, ROTTERDAM AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"DENBIGHSHIRE." Captain W. Barrett, will be despatched as above about 10th January.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1910.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

FOR VANCOUVER DIRECT.

THE Steamship

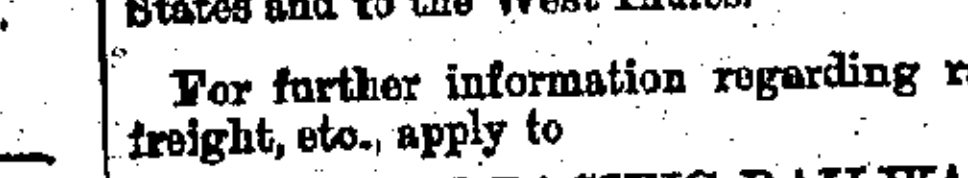
"SUVERIC." FROM HONGKONG, ON TUESDAY, THE 17TH JANUARY.

To be followed by the Steamers KUMERIC ... 9th Feb., 1911. AYMERIC ... 9th March, " LUCERIC ... 6th April, " SUVERIC ... 4th May, " KUMERIC ... 1st June, "

Bills of Lading issued to Victoria, Vancouver and Overland Points in Canada and United States and to the West Indies.

For further information regarding rates of freight, etc., apply to CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY Co., Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th January, 1911. [1446] HONGKONG-BOSTON & NEW YORK.



AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

FOR BOSTON & NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL. (With Liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.)

"INDRASAMHA" { On or about 21st Jan., 1911. For freight and further information apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, 31st December, 1910. [125]



AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (Direct), Calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to the BRANCO, to SOUTH AFRICA, the PERSIAN GULF, RED SEA, BLACK SEA, LEVANT, VENICE, and ADRICATICO PORTS).

THE Company's Steamship

"PERSIA." Capt. Giurgovich, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, 27TH JAN., at 2 P.M.

This Steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, excellent cuisine, electric light, electric fan and carries a doctor and a stewardess. For information as to Passage and Freight,

18 CARAT GENUINE ROLLED
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Kept in Stock by the Undersigned.

THE GOODS ARE WARRANTED TO KEEP FOR 10 YEARS.

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PRIVATE LETTER BOXES G.P.O.

Boxholders are reminded that the rent (\$10 per annum) of their Letter Boxes for the year 1911 is now due and should be paid in before the 10th instant, if they are desirous of retaining them for the current year.

Only fully prepaid letters and postcards are transmissible by the SIBERIAN Route to EUROPE.

The Montague, with the Siberian Mail, is due to arrive here to-day.

FOR	PER	DATE
Saigon	Telemachus	Saturday, 7th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Yuenang	Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide, Dunedin, Perth, and Fremantle	Eastern	Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Illoilo and Cebu	Sunghiang	Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Amoy and Shanghai	Shanghai	Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Kohsiang	Saturday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO (SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE)

EUROPE, &c., INDIA VIA TUTICORIN (Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Macao, Singapore, Penang and Colombo, Shanghai, Kobe and Moji, Swatow, Nanshan

Shanghai, SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE

Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui, Haiphong, Samarang and Sourabaya, Macao, Swatow, Amoy and Fochow, Singapore, Penang and Calcutta, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma, Haiphong, Shanghai, Manila, Illoilo and Cebu, Tsingtau, Weihaiwei and Cheloo, Swatow

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COMMERCIAL

EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

January 6th.

ON LONDON—	Telegraphic Transfer	1/10
	Bank Bills, on demand	1/10
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/10
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/10
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/10
	Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1/10
ON PARIS—	Bank Bills, on demand	23 1/2
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	23 1/2
ON GERMANY—	On demand	189
ON NEW YORK—	Bank Bills, on demand	44 1/2
	Credits, at 60 days' sight	45 1/2
ON BOMBAY—	Telegraphic Transfer	137 1/2
	Bank, on demand	137 1/2
ON CALCUTTA—	Telegraphic Transfer	137 1/2
	Bank, on demand	137 1/2
ON SHANGHAI—	Bank, at sight	74 1/2
	Private, 30 days' sight	75
ON YOKOHAMA—	On demand	90 1/2
ON MANILA—	On demand—Pesos	90 1/2
ON SINGAPORE—	On demand	78 1/2
ON BATAVIA—	On demand	110 1/2
ON HAIKOW—	On demand	11 1/2
ON SAIGON—	On demand	11 1/2
ON HONGKONG—	On demand	83 1/2
	Silver Dollars, Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.60
	GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	\$56.10
	BAR SILVER, per oz.	25 1/2

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

	per cent.
Chinese ... 20 cents pieces	\$6.95 discount.
Chinese ... 10 " "	\$7.32 " "
Hongkong ... 20 " "	\$6.88 " "
Hongkong ... 10 " "	\$6.93 " "

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 6TH, 1911.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$900, sellers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	26	\$90, buyers
Bank of China, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$8, sellers
Bank of Communications, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$9.
China Borneo Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$1
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$5 cts, buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	\$10	\$7, buyers
COTTON MILLS—				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 85.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$4.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 45.
Loan-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 48.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 247.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$17 1/2.
DOCK AND WHARVES—				
Hongkong & Wharves & C. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$55, buyers
Hongkong & Wharves & C. Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$53, sales
Hongkong & Wharves & C. Co., Ltd.	10,000	\$50	all	\$6.
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 68.
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 72.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$5.
FOUNDRY & CO., LIMITED	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$5.15, buyers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	\$10	\$205.
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	12,000	\$50	\$50	\$1.00, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	all	\$65, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$120.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$17.
Hongkong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	\$7	\$7.
INSURANCES—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$185.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$121, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$33.33	\$25	\$27 1/2.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	6,000	\$250	\$50	\$162 1/2.
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$25	\$5	Tls. 145, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	\$100	\$272 1/2.
Yat Kien Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$190.
LANDS AND BUILDINGS—				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$99.
Hongkong Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$64, buyers
Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$33, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100.
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$40, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$40, buyers
MINING—				
Societe Francaise des Charbons du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$700.
Ramb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$3, buyers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	\$10	\$13, sellers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$18.
REFINERIES—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$124, sellers
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$22, sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50.
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$7 1/2, sales & sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$20, sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$30, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	56, sel. & 52.6.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	\$1	\$123.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$12, sales
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	\$25.
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$5 1/2, buyers
STONES AND DISPENSARIES—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$10	\$10, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$7 1/2.
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, sales & buy.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$12, buyers
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$11 1/2, sellers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 only	\$10	\$10	\$10, buyers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	\$10	\$10, buyers

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1896	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7% p. annum	Par.
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HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.
From January 7th to 13th, 1911.

Days of Week.	Days of Month.	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		H'kong Time.	Height.	H'kong Time.	Height.
Sat.	7	1 2	6 7	8 35	1 9
Sun.	8	2 19	6 8	9 24	2 3
Mon.	9	3 46	5 5	10 10	2 7
Tues.	10	4 48	5 1	11 30	3 1
Wed.	11	5 46	4 8	0 46	2 4
Thurs.	12	6 22	7 1	11 35	3 4
Fri.	13	7 8	7 7	0 16	3 5
		9 10	4 5	2 32	1 0
		7 54	8 2	0 58	3 6

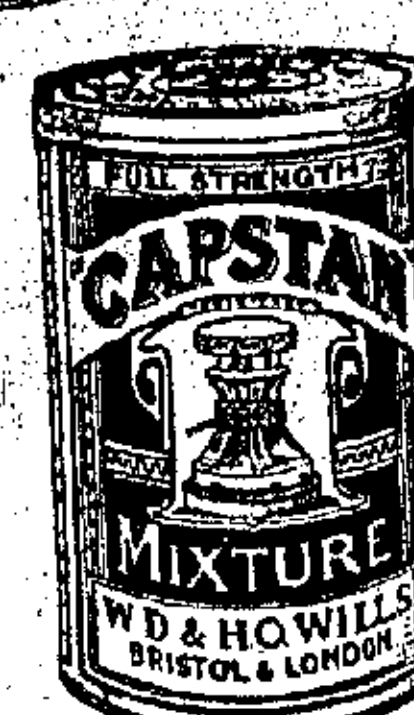
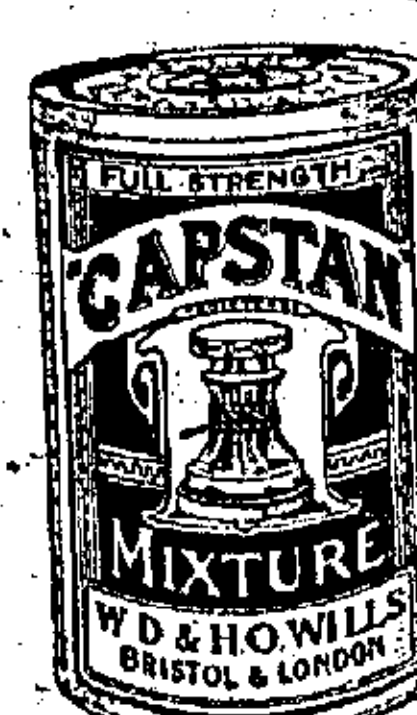
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Hongkong Observatory, January 6th.

Previous Day at 4 p.m.	On Date at 10 a.m.	On Date at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.09	30.28
Temperature	69	69
Humidity	77	74
Wind Direction	NW	East
Force	1	4
Weather	b	o
Rain		

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